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THE NATION'S CAPITAL

THE NATIONAL NEGRO PRESS ASSOCIATION TO MEET

FRED R. MOORE SLATED FOR LIBERIA!

A. H. Underwood Selected for Chairman—Death of Charles Curtis—A. E. Manning Pays Visit Bishop Walters May Become a Washingtonian.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—The mid-winter meeting of the executive committee of the National Negro Press Association has been called to meet here on Saturday, February 1. The sessions will be held at the new $110,000 home of the Y. M. C. A., and it is expected that a large number of newspaper men will be present. N. B. Dodson, chairman of the executive committee, and Henry Allen Boyd, corresponding secretary, have notified President R. W. Thompson that they will be on hand. Many topics of vital interest to the craft are to be discussed, and a number of changes in the officiary and the constitution may be made. James C. Waters, Jr., is the District's representative on the executive committee. A modest "spread" is to follow the evening session of the committee. All newspaper men in the city have been invited to confer with the organization and take part in its general meeting. The association was formed in Louisville in 1909 in connection with the National Negro Business League, and has been growing in numbers and influence since that time. Preparations for its fifth annual convention in Philadelphia, August 18 and 19 are actively in progress.

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Fred R. Moore for Liberia.

It seems pretty definitely settled that the name of Fred R. Moore is to go to the Senate this week for the Liberian mission, left vacant by the death of Dr. W. D. Crum. Mr. Moore is the responsible editor of the New York Age, which supported President Taft for re-election in the recent campaign. Mr. Moore now wears the insignia of the Order of African Redemption. He is a native of Washington and was for some years an attache of the treasury department. He went to New York to take a place in a bank and later acquired the New York Age property by purchase from T. Thos. Fortune, now the chief editorial writer on the paper.

The appointment of Mr. Moore gives general satisfaction. The consensus of opinion among the newspaper fraternity and the race at large is that the President could not have made a better selection for the African post.

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Underdown for Chairman.

Mr. A. H. Underdown, well known in business circles, has been designated as chairman of the sub-committee in charge of the arrangements for the participation of the colored citizens of the District and the country at large in the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of President-elect Wilson. Mr. Underdown is a prominent factor on the National Negro Democratic League and gave Mr. Wilson sturdy support during the recent campaign. It is understood that he was appointed upon the recommendation of Bishop Alexander Walters and was warmly endorsed by the league as its candidate for the chairmanship.

Elaborate preparations are under way for the inauguration, and no stone will be left unturned to properly entertain the vast throngs of our people who will be here for the week of March 4. The Negroes will have a conspicuous place in the parade and will have a mammoth ball at night in Convention hall.

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Charles C. Curtis Dead.

Mr. Charles C. Curtis, formerly of Iowa, widely known as the national organizer of the National Colored Personal Liberty League, is dead. The cause was pneumonia, and he was seriously ill but a few days prior to his death. Mr. Curtis was a genial soul and had a host of friends. He was noted as an arranger of banquets, and some of the most enjoyable "stags" given in this city in the past twenty years have been the outcome of his labors and spirit of good fellowship. Mr. Curtis was a rock-ribbed Democrat and held a position in the House of Representatives. Had he lived, it is not doubted that he would have come i nfor a handsome recognition from the Democratic administration.

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"Courier" Manning in Town.

Mr. A. E. Manning, one of the editors of the Indianapolis World and courier of the Democratic National Committee, has been in the city this week on business. He visited the Capitol and several of the departments and conferred with both Chairmen Eustis and Underdown on the outlook for the inaugural ceremonies. It is possible that after the close of the headquarters of the national committee in New York City, Mr. Manning will be stationed here for the winter on the staff of Mr. W. F. McCombs. Mr. Manning still insists that he is not an aspirant for office, but there is a general belief that the hustling Hoosier can have almost anything within the gift of the administration, if he will but say the word. He is the right-hand man of Col. Tom Taggart, of Indiana, who is credited with leading the break that gave Wilson the nomination at Baltimore. Mr. Manning had been called from his home in Indianapolis to Virginia by the sudden death of his oldest sister.

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Lawyer Patterson Located.

Judge Robert H. Terrell, of the Municipal Court, delivered the emancipation address January 1 at York, Pa., and was greeted by an immense crowd. The judge says the colored people of York are among the most thrifty and industrious forces he has ever met and he is loud in his praise of the lavish hospitality they extended him during his stay. Judge Terrell is admittedly the ablest jurist on the municipal bench, and it is an open secret that he will be retained by the incoming administration. There isn't a more popular colored man in the District than big-hearted "Bob" Terrell.

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Bishop Walters May Become a Washingtonian.

Bishop Alexander Walters, of New York City, who presides over the third episcopal district of the A. M. E. Zion church, preached three times here last Sunday. During the week he conferred with many local leaders on the political situation and assisted in arranging for the participation of the colored citizens of the country in the exercises attending the inauguration of President-elect Wilson. It is hinted that, in view of the fact that this is to be the political storm center of the nation for the next four years and that it is essential that a giant be on guard to watch the trend of congressional legislation, Bishop Walters may find it expedient to make this city his home. The genial bishop and his accomplished wife would meet with a hearty welcome at the hands of the cultured and progressive people of the nation's capital.

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Jack Johnson's Case in Supreme Court.

The case of Jack Johnson was reached by the United States Supreme Court on Monday. His attorneys are arguing the unconstitutionality of the Mann white slave act. The argument is being followed with great care by many skilled lawyers, as there are claims that the ultimate conviction of Johnson under this act may result in chaos among elements that make a practice of transporting women across state lines by men to whom they are not married. Our people here do not uphold the conduct or the judgment of the colored champion, but they do not want to see him persecuted on account of his color. The feeling is quite general that Johnson has been punished sufficiently for his indiscretions and that he should now be permitted to go in peace, with the injunction to "sin no more."

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Lawyer Patterson Located.

Lawyer John W. Patterson, under a court sentence of four years for embezzlement and who jumped his bond while the final adjudication of his appeal was pending, was located a few days ago in New York City, where he was trying to negotiate a loan on the property of his mother-in-law, who lives at Bay Shore, Long Island. The successful hunt for Patterson was engineered by his bondsman, A. J. Gaskins, who stood to lose $1,500 by Patterson's failure to show up in court when called. A Washington detective went to New York to bring Patterson back, but it is understood that the convicted lawyer is to resist extradition.

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For once, there is peace in the public schools.

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The Mu-So-Lit Club elected officers last night.

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An Elks' home is to be established at 2112 H street, northwest.

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Former Detective Henry Lacy is quite ill at his home on S street.

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Mrs. J. Gerald Tyler has returned to her home in St. Louis, after a delightful visit here.

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Counsellor Thomas L. Jones has been visiting friends in New York City and Philadelphia.

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Editor W. Calvin Chase, editor of the Washington Bee, was in Philadelphia a few days ago.

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The home of Judge and Mrs. R. H. Terrell in Le Droit Park is undergoing extensive repairs.

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The Monacans are to have their inaugural assembly on the night of March 3 at Convention hall.

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It is said that Rev. J. Milton Waldron, of the National Independent Political League, is to start a new paper here.

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Mr. Cary B. Lewis, Chicago's and Louisville's favorite journalist, is expected here to take part in the Wilson inauguration.

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Prof. George William Cook, secretary of Howard University and dean of the Commercial College, spent last week in Harrisburg, Pa.

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Mr. T. J. Calloway is planning to organize a national chautauqua, with headquarters at the beautiful suburban town of Lincoln, Md.

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Mr. J. Finley Wilson, national organizer of the Elks, is in the city. He is to make a tour of Virginia next and set up a number of lodges.

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Miss Mary Francis Ennis, of Delaware City, Dela., was the holiday guest of Miss Vivian Lucile Thompson at 908 S street, northwest.

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Extensive repairs and improvements are being made at Freedman's hospital. Dr. W. A. Warfield is a wideawake and unusually capable surgeon-in-chief.

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Mrs. Carroll N. Langston, who has been the guest of Registrar and Mrs. J. C. Napier through the Yuletide, returns to her home in Nashville, Tenn., next week.

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Miss Elizabeth Miller, a teacher in the Durham (N. C.) public schools, was compelled, on account of illness, to defer her return to work until this week.

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The trustees of Fisk University met in New York City this week to elect a president. Prof. Kelly Miller, of Howard University, was strongly mentioned for the place.

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Mr. ames W. Poe, a vigorous and versatile writer, having had much experience with journalism here and in North Carolina, has gone to Richmond, Va., to assume the editorship of the Reformer, by appointment of Grand Master Floyd Ross.

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Assistant Attorney General W. H. Lewis has returned from a visit to his family in Paris, France. He also spent some time in London. Mr. Lewis got back to his native land without acquiring a brogue or a monocle. He delivered the emancipation address January 1 at Pittsfield, Mass.

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Rev. George L. White, sent here recently from Wilmington, N. C., is building up a large following as pastor of the Metropolitan Wesley A. M. E. Zion church. He has been holding the third quarterly conference and has had excellent results. Rev. R. A. Carroll, formerly of New Bern, N. C., is the new presiding elder, succeeding Rev. C. D. Hazel, who has gone to the North Carolina station by direction of Bishop Walters.

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Webster Morton, a colored messenger, connected with the Washington and Southern Bank, sent with $6,000 in bills to the treasury to get change, absconded with the money one day last week. He was caught in Richmond, Va., and $5,940 of the money was recovered. He managed to get away from the officers, however, and is still at large, with only $60 and the loss of a good position as the net results of his ill-judged conduct. A white man has the position at the bank, temporarily, and it is thought that a colored man will eventually be given the job.

MR. W. B. COWAN.
Two Terms President of the Appomattox Club, of Chicago, Ill.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

A New Baseball Team, Will Be Controlled by White Men—The Atlanta Mutual Insurance Company—Much Damage Done by Flood.

(By Lee L. Brown, 1006 W. Chestnut.)

LOUISVILLE, KY., Special.

It is reported that Mr. Thomas Cole has sold his handsome flats at the southeast corner of Eighth and Walnut streets for $24,000.

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Mrs. Julia Kean, of St. Louis, Mo., formerly of this city, is visiting her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Simpson, 1427 West Chestnut street.

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The Negro Outlook Committee met at the colored department of the Y. M. C. A., Friday evening.

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We are not always responsible for items that appear in this column under our name, as we notice that each week some unknown person sends items to The Freeman without our knowledge.

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Our Merciful Saviour church is nearing completion.

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The flood has done great damage in this city, and over three hundred families are homeless; many of them colored. The city and associated charities are relieving the unfortunates. In the uptown section the water has come up five squares, submerging hundreds of homes. The river traffic has been suspended. Many of the sufferers are being cared for in private families.

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Prof. W. M. Mayo, principal of Clinton street high school and a prominent Odd Fellow of Frankfort, was in the city Friday evening to attend a very important meeting of the Masonic lodge. Rev. J. M. Mundy, grand master of Kentucky Masons, of Henderson, Ky., was in the city Friday evening.

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Louisville is to have a new colored baseball team controlled by white business men. The old reliable Louisville Cubs will entertain the public as in by-gone days. Manager Baker is already on the alert and is booking some good material for the coming season. The Cubs will play at Twenty-eighth and Broadway.

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The executive board of Kentucky Baptists met here this week. Rev. L. G. Jordon is expected here en route to Florida.

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The books and accounts of the Kentucky Home Society for Colored Children are being inspected this week by the state examiner and inspector.

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A new colored drug store has opened at Eleventh and Walnut streets.

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A company of colored men are planning to organize a firm so as to take over contracts for cleaning large office buildings. This information is good news.

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Mr. Thomas L. Martin, of Kansas City, Mo., was the guest of Miss Sadie P. Butler, 1628 Cedar street, last Thursday and Friday. He left for St. Louis, Saturday.

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Mrs. W. O. Martin, of French Lick, Ind., is visiting Miss Minnie Force, of South Hancock street.

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Mr. Louis Evans, after a two weeks' visit with his mother, left the city for the East to take the management of a playhouse at Asbury Park, N. J. Mr. Evans formerly managed the Lyre theater in this city.

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The Alpha Phi Alpha will on next Wednesday install the following officers: Prof. W. P. Welsh, coun.; Dr. C. C. Johnson, vice coun.; Lee L. Brown, scriptor; Dr. A. S. Brock, tribune; Prof. W. S. Peyton, gladiator. The installation will be held at the Y. M. C. A. after which luncheon will be served in the dining hall.

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One of the worthiest institutions in the city is the Frances Ellen Harper Home, controlled by a number of good women who merit great credit for the very excellent work being accomplished for the benefit of our young women. The work is hampered on account of the lack of funds.

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The Atlanta Mutual Insurance Company, controlled entirely by colored men, is causing the local white companies to sit up and take notice. Mr. Henry Hill, the state manager, deserves great credit for his excellent work along this line. Mr. Herndon, who visited this city recently, was well pleased with the great work being accomplished.

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Mrs. Ella Martin, of Eighth and Magazine streets, entertained a large number of her friends Monday night. Those present were: Mr. J. L. Martin, Mr. L. Cox, Mr. George Gilbert, Mr. L. Evans of St. Louis, Misses Gladys Young of Indianapolis, Sadie Pearl Butler, Noveline Stantley and Mrs. G. Barnes and Mrs. T. Young of Chicago. A delightful evening was spent in music and dancing, and a delicious lunch was served.

SIKITON, OHIO.

(By N. C. Hawkins.)

A committee of the First Baptist church, composed of W. H. Brannon, Mr. M. C. Lucas, N. C. Hawkins, Mrs. M. C. Lucas and Rev. Mrs. M. J. Biannon, are arranging for a celebration to be held at the First Baptist church on February 12th. Rev. S. D. Sanders will deliver the welcome address and Mrs. Rosie Brooks, president of the Ladies' Home and Foreign Missions, will act as mistress of ceremonies. The program will consist of addresses by several noted speakers and writers. Mayor Joseph Shan will be present.

JACK JOHNSON JAILED!

CHAMPION ATTEMPTS FADEAWAY AND IS TIPPED OFF

BEATS IT FOR THE CANADIAN LINE!

Had Purchased a Fine Residence in the Fashionable District of Toronto, Canada—Had Shipped Two of his Auto mobiles to the Canadian City.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Jan. 14.—Jack Johnson, world's champion heavyweight pugilist, and his young white wife, were taken off a Grand Trunk train here this morning by the Battle Creek police at the request of Charles S. Deewoody, superintendent of the department of justice in Chicago.

The federal officers learned that Johnson left Chicago last night bound for Toronto and it is believed they feared he might have the intention of jumping his bond on the white slave charge, as this offense is not an extraditable one.

Johnson says he only intended to stay in Toronto a couple of days.

Under $35,000 Bond.

Johnson, his wife and his valet, Jack Levi, were detained at police headquarters until 7 o'clock when they were taken to the home of patrolman Patterson to remain until Deewoody comes to take them back to Chicago. Johnson was held under $35,000 bonds not to leave the state of Illinois, pending the disposition of his case for violating the white slave laws. When it was found that he had left Chicago, the officers immediately became busy and olcated him on the east-bound Grand Trunk train.

Local police stopped the train and held it for twenty-five minutes, searching the sleeper for the "big cinder." Johnson explained that he was on his way to Toronto to see his old manager, Tom Flanagan, regarding an offer he had received from Tom O'Rourke toward putting on a fight in Paris between Johnson and Al Palzer.

"I couldn't afford to let my mother's house go, besides the bond that I have up," said Johnson. "I couldn't afford to down the fight offers I have."

Offer From Paris.

Johnson produced a telegram dated Los Angeles. It read:

"Received letter from M. Leippe, representing Mr. Vincent, of Paris, who offers $25,000, or privilege of 60 per cent. of house, split as per agreement. Should draw $150,000. Palzer was ill in McCarty fight. The latter refuses to box. Palzer declared before the fight that he would box, win, or lose. Before we can come to some agreement with Paris they wish me to get some acknowledgement from you. I am leaving here the 16th. Hope that you get out of your present trouble all right. TOM O'ROURKE."

Johnson called up Deewoody by long distance telephone and said he did not mean to leave, hadn't taken a trunk with him and had told his bondsmen that he was going away for a few days. But he could not get Deewoody to let him go free.

Johnson telephoned his lawyer, Ben Babarack, and asked him to get hold of Dewoody and attempt to get him released as soon as possible.

Smuggling Charge Also.

Johnson was indicted several months ago by the federal grand jury on several counts for alleged violation of the Mann act and is at liberty on bonds. He is also charged with smuggling valuable jewelry into this country from Europe for his white wife, Mrs. Etta Johnson, who committed suicide a few months ago. The latter case is pending in the United States court.

Mann act violations are not extraditable and for this reason Johnson had no right to leave the country, the federal authorities assert. His payment on the train of cash fare to Toronto indicated his intent to go to Canada, say the police.

Big Pug Will Be Jugged on Return Chi.

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—Jack Johnson will be brought back to this city and lodged in bench warrant, charged with being a fugitive of justice, according to Charles Deewoody, special agent of the department of justice in this city.

"I will have such a warrant sworn out for Johnson as soon as he is brought back," said Deewoody, "and I doubt if he will be released from jail again before his trial comes up. He will be treated like any other criminal who jumps his bond. He left the state without any knowledge of the court, and this time I think he will go back to jail for keeps."

Deewoody received a telephone message at 2 o'clock this morning, telling him the Negro pugilist was speeding northward on a Grand Trunk train. He immediately called up several points on the road by long distance and learned that the train was due at Battle Creek Mich., at 2:48.

At 2:45 he got the chief of police of that city on the telephone and the following conversation took place:

"I'm Deewoody, of Chicago. The Grand Trunk train going north is due there in just three minutes."

"I know it."

"Well, Jack Johnson's on it —."

"I've got you. All right." And the Battle Creek chief hung up the receiver.

"I don't know who that chief of police was," said Deewoody today, "I didn't have time to find out, but I want to compliment him on his work."

At 4 o'clock this morning Deewoody was awakened by a long distance telephone call. Johnson was on the other end with a tearful plea.

"You know I wouldn't leave my old mother and my country. I'd rather go to jail," the Negro pleaded. "I told my attorneys I was just going to Toronto to see my old trainer, Tom Flanagan, and they said it was all right."

"Did you have a round-trip ticket?" was Deewoody's question.

"No, I told them to get me one but they got it only one way. But I was going to get one."

Johnson begged that he be kept out of jail and then hung up.

"He and his wife and his valet had tickets one way. A great chance he was coming back!" Deewoody tersely declared to the reporters.

Additional Evidence of Johnson's Intention to Shake States.

TORONTO, Ontario, Jan. 14.—Just how near Toronto, Canada, came to being the permanent postoffice address of Jack Johnson is the gossip of inside sporting circles here today. The news became public when dispatches arrived here, telling of the detention of the Negro and his white wife at Battle Creek, Mich.

Johnson has many personal friends here, black and white, including Tom Flanagan, wealthy hotel keeper and sportsman, who was Johnson's former manager. A fine residence had been purchased here in the fashionable Hill Crest district for Johnson. Once in Toronto, his friends hoped to keep him here.

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—Jack Johnson, the Negro heavyweight pugilist, was taken to the county jail here tonight to await the judgment of Judge George A. Carpenter of the United States District Court, as to whether his bail bond of $30,000 should be forfeited.

When the pugilist's party, consisting of his white wife, two white secretaries and valet, reached here, after being turned back at Battle Creek, Mich., from a Canadian-bound train, Johnson asked to talk over the telephone to Charles F. Deewoody, superintendent of the United States department of justice. At the conclusion of the conversation Johnson told Deputy Marshal Meyers that Mr. Deewoody would allow him to spend the night at his own home.

Meyers refused to accept the order unless from Mr. Deewoody.

The pugilist and his retinue were taken in automobiles to Mr. Deewoody's residence.

Autos Are Shipped

"Johnson, if you did not mean to stay out of the jurisdiction of the federal court why did you ship two of your automobiles to Canada?" demanded Mr. Deewoody. The pugilist hesitated in his reply, and Mr. Deewoody gave him his choice of being held in a hotel in charge of marshals or of being taken to jail.

Johnson chose the jail. He was allowed to take his wife home and to change his clothes and then was locked up.

Johnson was taken off a train here early today by the local police. He was accompanied by his wife and two Negro friends. He admitted that he was on his way to Toronto.

Johnson at first insisted that the local authorities had no right to detain him, but when a patrol wagon came in sight he left the train without further complaint.

He said he did not wish to violate any of the terms of the bond insuring his appearance in United States district court and simply intended to go to Toronto to consult with Tom Flanagan, his former manager, regarding a proposed fight with Al Palzer in Paris. He asserted that the latter's manager had offered to arrange a fight for $25,000.

Palzer's Manager Sent Telegram From Coast—Stops at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 14.—Tom O'Rourke, Al Palzer's manager, stopped in St. Louis tonight on his way, he said, from Los Angeles to Toronto to meet Jack Johnson and the representatives of the French promoters to come to terms for the proposed fight in Paris between Johnson and Palzer.

"The telegram Johnson showed in Battle Creek," said O'Rourke, "I sent him from the coast, and it outlines the deal, except that M. Vienne offers $30,000, or privilege of 70 per cent. of house split. Now I suppose the arrangements must be made with Johnson by mail, as the government seems determined not to allow him to leave the country, even temporarily.

He Escapes Jail Sentence.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Jack Johnson, who was interrupted at Battle Creek, Mich., yesterday, while on his way to Toronto, Canada, despite the terms of a bail bond holding him within the purisdiction of the United States district court at Chicago, gave a satisfactory explanation to Judge Carpenter today.

He was not surrendered on the $30,000 bonds covering his appearance to answer charges of violating the Mann act, but was given up on a $5,000 bond covering a charge of smuggling.

The $30,000 bond was allowed to stand, and the prize fighter was given time to secure a new bond on the smuggling charge.

Johnson, who was brought back to this city from Battle Creek, Mich., yesterday, was surrendered in court by John Morris, one of his bondsmen. Crowds gathered in front of the government building to see the prize fighter and it required a half dozen bailiffs to clear Judge Carpenter's court room.

Johnson told the court that he had no intention of evading trial. He said he wanted to talk with Tom Flanagan, his former manager, at Toronto, Canada, on business matters.

"But you shipped two automobiles, didn't you?" inquired Judge Carpenter.

Johnson said that was true, but that he had merely intended to enjoy a few days' vacation before shipping them back to Chicago.

VALDESTA, GA.

Mr. ohn Shephard, of Moultire, is the guest of friends in this city....Mrs. B. Dans has returned home after a stay in Waycross....Mrs. Clara McCoy, of Moultrie, is the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Pearce....The Freeman will be found on sale at the City drug store.

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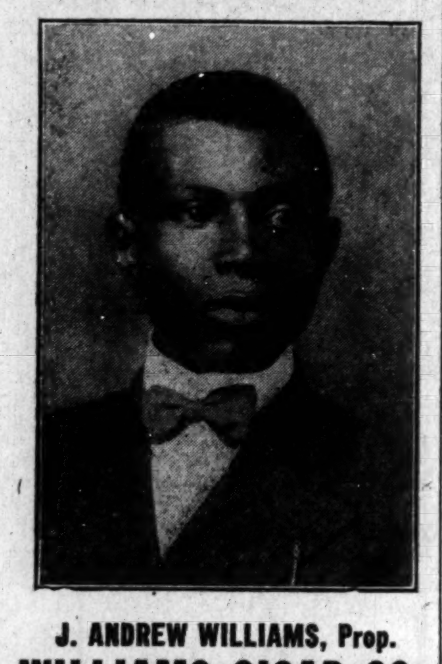

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SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON.

My Wish.

Let me live in my house by the side
of the road
Where the Race of men go by,
They are good, they are bad, they are
weak, they are strong,
Wise, foolish, so am I.
Then, why should I sit in the Scorner's seat
Or hurl the cynic's ban?
Let me live in my house by the side
of the road
And be a friend to man.
—Sam Waller Foss.

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The American Bar Association has shown the country its true measure. It "hasn't goe 'em."

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Anyhow, the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows is still all one piece, even if there are opposing camps.

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The mothers who buy seal brown dolls to teach their children race pride will take care not to call pink stockings "flesh-colored."

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It takes a heap of religion to get into a fervor of happiness over the preachments of a minister who has "stung" you with a bad check.

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The Catholics are giving certain Protestants denominations a hard run for the Christian goal in its liberal treatment of the color question.

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Last spring we said "It will be 'Bishop' Conner"—and the great A. M. E. conference at Kansas City ratified our prediction.

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Now comes the monumental task of estimating who were the "big men" of the recent campaign. We know some who were not, who imagine they were.

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Without condoning the sinning of Jack Johnson, it is to be hoped that the prosecution of the Negro pugilist will not develop into a persecution.

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Money paid out for constructive education is not an expense. It is an investment that pays one hundred cents on each dollar.

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The wise hotel and restaurant keeper employs Negro waiters. They are masters of this particular calling and look the part. They are the best on earth.

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Our schools should teach fewer things, and they should teach those many "ologies" confuses, and fails to produce the training that makes for service.

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Grand - Master - That - Was - To - Have - Been Ben Davis is standing at the Odd Fellows' Armageddon, ready to do some Herculean battling for himself.

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It is not believed that the resignation habit, inaugurated by Former Assistant Register of the Treasury Adams, will become epidemic among our colored office-holders.

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"Robbed, but not defeated" may be displayed in electric bulbs on the front of the office of the Atlanta Independent if Brer Davis's energetic and resourceful press agent is allowed to have his way.

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Genial and ever enterprising "Phil" Waters is fully demonstrating his right to be classed among West Virginia's truly great political and oratorical forces. "Phil" is pre-eminently the Mountain State's "national quantity."

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James Whitcomb Riley, the eminent Hoosier poet, and Richard Green, the Treasury Department's polished mascot, are both fifty-nine years of age. Both had notable celebrations in honor of their cordial relations with Father Time.

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Dr. E. C. Morris, Dr. R. H. Boyd, Dr. A. J. Carey, G. L. Knox, W. H. Steward, Rev. L. G. Jordan, M. M. Lewey, Rev. Richard Carroll and Dr. Robert E. Jones are just a few of the truly "big men" connected with the National Negro Press Association.

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The dusky "Lefty Louises," "Bridgie Webers," "Gyp, the Bloods," and "Dago Franks"—if there are any—discreetly remain in the background. The Caucasian race is welcome to all it has of this breed of "undesirable citizens."

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The big majority which asked for the election of Dr. J. S. Jackson to the bishopric at Charlotte last May will be more than two-thirds between now and the gathering of the Zion clans at Louisville in 1916. Let no one overlook this clean-cut fact.

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President Taft makes the welcome announcement that the wave of high prices is on the decline. Shrewd business men can safely shave their profits, without shaving wages, if they will just adopt a "live and let live" policy toward the rest of humanity.

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Former Grand Master W. L. Houston saw the Morris steam roller in action and uttered not one whimper. He may have another chance to manipulate the old machine from the driver's seat by taking his medicine now "like a little man."

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The Negro in discovering that there is more profit for him in business than in politics. His political activity should be directed along the lines that make for better conditions for his business and personal protection, with office-holding as a secondary consideration.

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There will be some warm times at Philadelphia when the sub-committee of management holds its first meeting since the Atlanta B. M. C. Its proceedings will be watched with interest by the country, as well as by the half million members of the Order of Three Links.

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The "four-flushers" who thought they were "it" in national politics, have succumbed with the application of the "acid test."

Maybe, when the millenium rolls around it will not be necessary to use money to whoop things for presidential candidates and to generate enthusiasm in political campaigns.

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Daisie Dean Walker's "A String of Pearls" is one of the most acceptable contributions to the literary collections of the year. It is full of optimism of substantial cheer, and is the best balm for a wounded heart that any Christian Scientist could prescribe. Read the little volume and see if we are not right.

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The owner of a trained monkey has sued the Northern Pacific Railway for $200,000, alleging that the death of the animal was caused by the neglect of the railroad officials to provide proper protection for it while in transit. Negroes are lynched every month, and no one seems to think it worth while to ask 200 cents damage for any of them. "O tempora, O mores!"

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The Negro bankers who dined in state at the Palmer House during the Chicago meeting of the National Negro Business League's session and who were eagerly accepted as a part and parcel of the American Bankers' Association, have uttered no complaint about "hard times." They believe in Business with a Capital B, and play politics only as a preservative of prosperity.

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Missionary Bishop J. Albert Johnson has finally been persuaded to return to his post in South Africa—by a long detour in London, Paris and other attractive show points in Europe. If he failed to secure a home district, as he tried desperately to do, he has the satisfaction of knowing that he kept the aged and infirm Bishop Heard from remaining on United States soil.

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Mrs. Mary E. Washington, of New Albany, Ind., is a power in fraternal circles. She is the official head of the Household of Ruth of the Hoosier State, and it is said that her friends will insist that she become the official head of the Household of Ruth of the nation at the next session of the B. M. C. She has all the qualifications necessary to successfully fill the exalted position.

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The telephone, the parcels post, the rural free delivery and the improved public schools tend to make country life more attractive. They benefit the black man as much as anyone else, as they invite him cheerfully "back to the soil," a divine instrument that is utterly free from color prejudice. The farm offers the Negro his finest opportunity for health, wealth and happiness.

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The country at large gives Dr. Booker T. Washington credit for the discreet manner in which he steered his bark during the late campaign. He stuck steadily to his educational work at Tuskegee and skillfully avoided the shoals that abounded in the tortuous pathway lying between the Scylla and Charybdis of presidential politics. He realizes that there can be no partisanship in the cause of Negro education.

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There are still a few journalistic reactionaries who refuse to see the benefits conferred by "syndicate bureaus." They would decline to admit the far-reaching advantages of the Associated Press and all of the other mighty engines which distribute news in common to thousands of widely separated points throughout the country—bringing the ends of the earth together, as it were. This is the age of the "syndicate."

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Booker T. Washington's "The Man Farthest Down" convinces the colored American that he has a "look in" for success by showing him how much better off he is than millions of white people across the sea. The Negro who eats meat every day, lives in a comfortable home, sends his children to school, and has a lucrative job, is living in clover, compared with the hordes of Caucasians in Italy, Austro-Hungary, Poland, Denmark, Russia things thoroughly. A smattering of and portions of Germany. Many Negroes now enjoy electric lights in their homes—a treat that Kings could not command just a few short years ago. Get Dr. Washington's book and cheer yourself up, brethren!

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The "editors" who insist upon a press association confined strictly to "editors," content themselves with talking about it and complaining because the managers of the existing National Negro Press Association are not so exclusive. "Our crowd" is of the opinion that editors, publishers, correspondents, printers, pressmen, magazine contributors, book-writers and all attaches of the newspaper business have many interests in common, and govern our membership provisions in accordance with this principle. Get on board the "omnibus, brethren, until you are able to get a taxicab!"

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Henry Allen Boyd is putting in some strong licks as corresponding secretary of the National Negro Press Association. He is sending out some convincing etlters to the men behind the guns and the responses indicate that the craft has about decided that it is high time to establish an association that stands for progressive achievement. It is up to the Negro press whether it will have such an association. Secretary Boyd is leaving no stone unturned to make the way clear. He is backing up President Thompson in fine style, and is easily the "wheel-horse" of the new administration.

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Bishop G. L. Blackwell is a practical believer in the expansion policy inaugurated by the leaders of the A. M. E. Zion church. He is now holding Zion conferences out in Oklahoma, pioneering in a virgin soil, the capture of which means much to the development of his church in the vast Southwest. Bishop Blackwell will extend the picket lines of Zion throughout the trans-Mississippi section, with a view of eventually dotting with Zion churches every center of Negro population from the Father of Waters to the majestic Pacific. The towering peaks of the Rockies, the sand dunes of Arizona, the rose gardens of California and the invigorating blasts of Puget Sound will enjoy alike the thrilling messages borne out by this stalwart and progressive preacher of "Our Zion." More power to Pioneer Blackwell!

Celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversay of Emancipation Proclamation.

The citizens of Chattanooga, Tenn., celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the emancipation proclamation of the slaves in this country, as loyal and patriotic ones, under the auspices of the Emancipation Proclamation Association, which has for its officers, Prof. S. S. Booker, president; Wm. H. Brooks, recording secretary, and Rev. J. H. Turner, D. D., treasurer, Wednesday, January 1, 1913, with an elaborate, interesting and entertaining program, at the Auditorium. A great and enthusiastic crowd gathered to witness the exercises at 12 o'clock. Mr. J. M. Esterling had charge of the parade, which moved al ong Grove, West Tenth, Birch, West Ninth, West Eighth, Chestnut, West Sixth, Market and West Tenth streets. The civic and commercial organizations, commanded by Mr. Thos. Elder, merchant; Mr. J. L. Zuber, marshal. J. L. Meyers was aide to the marshal. The streets were thronged with crowds. Mr. J. C. Reynolds had a fine float in the parade. The decorating committee, composed of ladies under the direction of Wm. Brooks, rendered valuable services and had fine decorations, using ferns and potted plants. Mrs. Martha Payton was chairman of this committee. The monster parade ended at the Auditorium where the band played as the people entered to hear the program. The program was as follows: Music, joined choirs, Mr. H. D. Alexander, musical director and Mrs. C. H. LaPrade, pianist; invocation, Rev. I. H. Welch, D. D.; music, "Steal Away to Jesus"; Scriptural reading, Rev. T. G. Moore; introductor remarks, Mr. W. H. Brooks; music; reading of the Emancipation proclamation, Mrs. Halle Q. Ware; "Any welters loafing?" Young Viney portunity," Mrs. M. E. Lewis; address, "Abraham Lincoln, the Man and His Message," Rev. J. H. Smith; benediction, Rev. M. W. Moore. The noon program as rendered was considered by the citizens to be equal to the occasion in every respect, as each member acquitted themselves most honorably, to the delight of the audience. The music by the choirs was excellent and also the singing of the old plantation melodies. Rev. J. H. Branner, D. D., was one of the chief men in the movement for this celebration. In the evening at 8 o'clock the following program was rendered: Music; invocation, Rev. C. E. Tucker; music; Scripture reading, Rev. J. E. Smith; music; introductory, by the president of the Emancipation Proclamation Celebration Association. Prof. J. W. E. Bowen, D. D., A. M., of Atlanta, Ga., delivered one of the strongest and most scholarly addresses that it has been the good fortune of our people to hear for many years. His subject was "The Present Problem of the American Negro." The address was a masterpiece.

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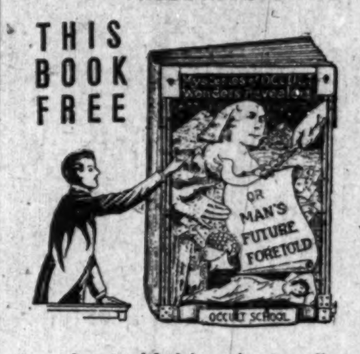

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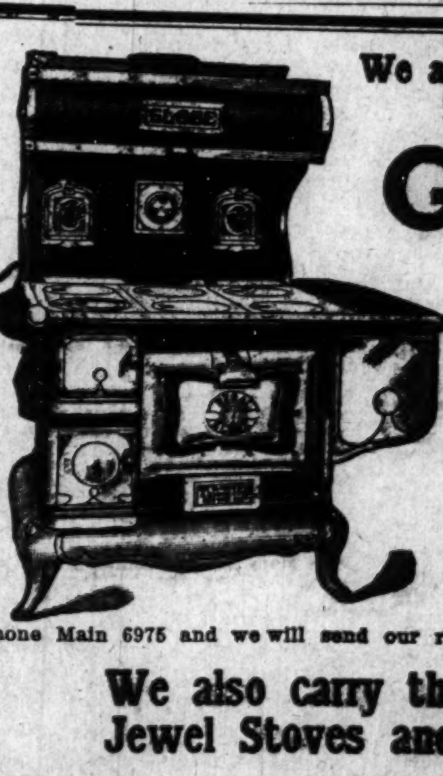

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The Odd Fellows' Journal, H. P. Slaughter, editor, is to remain in Washington, D. C.

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The editor of the Washington Bee accuses the editor of the New York Age of being "ignorant."

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W. E. King, editor of the Dallas Express, was united in marriage December 18 to Miss Mattie S. Mansfield of Dallas, Tex.

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A midwinter conference of the National Negro Press Association is to be held shortly in either Washington or Philadelphia.

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The New Orleans Business Journal, a Negro weekly, has been changed to a daily, and is henceforth to be known as "The Daily Spokesman."

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The long editorial has gone to the scrap pile, except among a few opinion moulders of the old school—the antediluvian period. This is the day of the pointed paragraph.

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"There are Three Estates in Parliament, but in the Reporters' Gallery yonder there sits a "Fourth Estate' more important far than they all."—Edmund Burke.

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Editor A. E. Manning, of the Indianapolis World, and Editor R. S. Abbott, of the Chicago Defender, have been visiting in the East, touching New York, Washington and other points.

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The notes of the National Negro Press Association are being carried in good form by a number of our leading race papers. Good! This is a field that our people know all too little about.

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Real newspaper men are going slow in the use of "Prof.," "Hon.," "D. D.," etc., and are "cutting out" the "Mrs. Bishop" and "Mrs. Dr." foolishness in speaking of the wives of men bearing the titles mentioned.

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M. M. Lewey, the veteran editor of the Florida Sentinel, fell recently and severely bruised hi selbow. He is up and about again, and is wielding his trenchant pen with his old-time fervor and effectiveness.

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B. J. Davis, editor of the Atlanta Independent, who suffered a nervous breakdown a few weeks ago, is slowly recovering. Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson has been assisting him in his manifold duties in connection with the Odd Fellows.

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The suspension of the Advocate and the Mountain Leader at Charlestown, W. Va., is a sharp blow to the race. The former was edited by J. C. Gilmer and the latter by T. G. Nutter. Both are men of high intellectual quality and large influence and their papers were both creditable examples of modern journalism. Unfortunately, this leaves West Virginia's progressive capital without a single racial spokesman.

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Attorney George W. Ellis, of Chicago, formerly secretary of the American Legation at Monrovia, Liberia, is a contributing editor on the Journal of Race Development, published in connection with Clark University, Worcester, Mass.

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J. Max Barber, the sometime editor of the Voice of the Negro, is now practicing dentistry in Philadelphia, having graduated in that calling from the University of Pennsylvania. He was married recently to Miss Hattie B. Taylor, a prominent factor in the social life of the Quaker City.

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The Thanksgiving special edition of the Nashville Globe was a "dandy." The write-up of the National Negro Press Association by Henry Allen Boyd was especially fine and will serve to let the people know that this useful organization is wide awake and "onto its job."

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"Phil" Brown, who managed the publicity end of the Taft campaign for the Negro bureau, resumes his residence in Chicago, after spending Xmas at his home in Hopkinsville, Ky. Mr. Brown is one of the most versatile newspaper writers in the country, regardless of race.

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John Mitchell, Jr., editor of the Richmond Planet, and president of the Mechanics' Savings Bank, has been elected a member of the Royal Society of Arts of England. Mr. Mitchell is the only colored member of the Association of American Bankers.

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The Pittsburgh Courier is four years old. Messrs. C. W. Posey, H. E. Rickmond and R. L. Vann, the active managers of the Courier, have demonstrated that a first-class Negro paper can live in the "Smoky City," and exert a helpful influence for the race it represents.

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No article in recent years has attracted more general attention or provoked a more profitable discussion than Dr. Booker T. Washington's offering on the Negro question in the November Century, pointing out in plain terms that the Negro is not getting a fair shot in this country.

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President R. W. Thompson, of the N. N. P. A., extends thanks to the many journals which honor him with complimentary copies. He is glad to get them and thus keep closely in touch with what the race and the profession are doing in every section of the country. His address is 908 S street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

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Among the publicity agents who are said to be in line for something good at the hands of the Wilson administration are Cary B. Lewis and T. Wallace Swann of Chicago, James A. Ross of Detroit and Buffalo, Cleveland G. Allen and W. E. B. DuBois of New York City, J. H. W. Howard of Harrisburg, Pa., and others.

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Ohio claims to have furnished a bona fide successor to the late Paul Laurence Dunbar in the person of Elliott Blaine Henderson, a rising young versifier of Springfield. He has put out a very creditable volume of poems, comprising fifty pages. One critic says that Henderson writes in a rich Negro dialect, of which he, although Northern bred, seems to have grasped the real essence.

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The fifteenth annual session of the Western Press Association is to be held at Wagoner, Okla., December 27 and 28. The American, published at Wagoner, which is to be the official host of the organization, says: "This meeting will be one of the largest and best ever held since the organization of the association." The National Negro Press Association sends greetings and best wishes.

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The Republican National Committee, with a view of regaining power four years hence, is urging local organizations everywhere to secure control of at least one local paper to teach the doctrines of Republicanism for the next presidential campaign. Here is a chance for osme of our papers of political inclinations to "get in on the ground floor."

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Specialization is taking such a firm hold upon the modern journal that we are now having circulation worked up among special interests by men trained for the particular field sought by the owner. No one man today can sucecssfully run a newspaper, for the people insist upon departments that call for widely diversified talents and methods.

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Denial is made that Auditor Ralph W. Tyler is to join hands with W. Calvin Chase in the editorial management of the Washington Bee at the conclusion of the former's term in the Federal service at Washington. It is understood that Mr. Tyler has been connected with the Bee for some considerable time as an editorial and departmental contributor. Chase and Tyler ought to make a strong combination, both having had ample experience in the journalistic arena.

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The Chicago Defender, edited by R. S. Abbott, a "natural-born hustler," is one of the very best papers published by the race in this country. It is up-to-date in new features, the matter is attractively arranged and the opinion page is original in thought and courageous in expression. The Defender has "put one over" on its contemporaries by getting on sale in the elevated train news stands in the "loop district," Chicago's big business center.

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Cupid has invaded the office of the Journal and Guide at Norfolk, Va., and taken as captives Henry Cheatham Young, secretary and assistant manager of the Guide Publishing Company and associate editor of the Journal and Guide, and Miss Sallie Cecelia Carr, a graduate of the Norfolk Mission College, who has been for some time a bookkeeper in the office of the paper. The marriage was the culmination of a pretty romance and the happy couple have been overwhelmed with congratulations.

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The Daily Reporter, published by colored men six days in the week, has been launched at Jacksonville, Fla. Speaking of this and other Negro dailies that have appeared recently, the Nashville Globe says: "The advent of these dailies in the realm of Negro journalism speaks volumes for a people who have always taken a deep interest in the publication of newspapers, but who have been hampered in their efforts from a lack of finance, and more so from the lack of knowledge of the art of printing and dissemination. The Negro is learning something about journalism and this knowledge is being reflected in the several first-class weekly papers published and is now being shown in the very promising dailies that are being launched in populous centers."

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Mrs. Daisy M. Saffell of Shelbyville, Ky., is making a fine showing as editor of "The Kentucky Club Woman," the official organ of the Kentucky Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, with headquarters at Louisville. Mrs. Saffell is a capable undertaker, a polished orator and a social leader of culture and forceful personality. The latest issue of her paper carries a well-written story of the meeting of the National Association of Colored Women at Hampton, Va., illustrated with an excellent likeness of Mrs. Margaret Murray Washington, the new president of the association. As secretary and spokesman for the National Association of Colored Undertakers Mrs. Saffell added largely to her laurels at the Chicago meeting of the National Negro Business League last August.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

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The Park hotel, the finest in the city, has opened for the season.... Mr. Richard Fletcher, "big chief," arrived Sunday evening with the advance portion of his crew, who were gathered from different places, met and came on from Detroit in a special car. The crew numbered twenty-eight people. Mr. Fletcher is in his fourth season at the Park hotel, having charge of the dining room as head waiter, he has made an enviable reputation, catering to many of the best and wealthiest people who visit Hot Springs, and having commanded the respect of all, guests and employes, by his geniality and executive ability. He is also popular among the best colored residents.

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The willingness to have Fred R. Moore go to Africa seems to be unanimous.

Bear in mind that the emancipation proclamation is being celebrated in one way or another all over the country—the semi-centennial of freedom. We have the whole year of 1913—Indiana.

Register J. C. Napier and Judge R. H. Terrell bear the complacent countenance of gentlemen who have no fear of the executive axe. They are said to be fixtures in the official life of Washington.

Judging from the newspaper fights and personal rackets of our brethren in the East, it would appear that the colored Taft leaders are dangerously in need of a "reorganization"—or something that will produce harmony.

Presidential electors in the forty-eight states met January 13 and cast their votes for their candidates for President. It is needless to say that Woodrow Wilson was "elected" by an overwhelmingly majority. The hoodoo 13 is losing its charm.

Thomas J. Turner, who is standing for the Haitian minstership, was very well acquainted with Mrs. Jeff Davis, wife of the late President of the Confederacy. His uncle was in the service of that family. He speaks with pride of his acquaintance.

A member of the Ohio legislature saw fit to introduce a bill in that body for the purpose of prohibiting marriage between white people and Negroes and white people and Chinese. If he will include some more of the "off" color races he will find that he will stir up considerable antagonism.

The colored people of Indiana will celebrate the emancipation proclamation in a fitting way during this year, 1913, the fiftieth anniversary of their freedom. The object will be to have something expositional, exhibiting the progress of the race from 1863 to 1913. The legislature will be approached on the subject with the object of getting an appropriation.

Thomas J. Turner, of Fort Wayne, Ind., a prominent candidate for the Haitian ministership, was in the city this week. He was accompanied by Richard Browne, of Fort Wayne, Ind.; Elijah Scott, of Muncie, Ind.; John P. Cook, of French Lick, Ind., and Andrew J. Jeffries, of French Lick, Ind. They were here in the interest of Mr. Turner's candidacy.

R. Moore, editor of the New York Age, has been appointed minister to Liberia, the post vacated by the death of Dr. William D. Crum. This means a slight reduction in the number of good places that it is thought will go to the Negro Democracy. The New York Age made a stiff fight for Taft, consequently something was due, according as such things go.

It is now Governor Samuel M. Ralston, of Indiana, that distinguished gentleman of Lebanon, Ind., having succeeded the Hon. Thomas Marshall, Vice President-elect. Mr. Ralston is an extra sized individual, and seemingly possessed with a heart in keeping. His first act was to extend executive clemency to a man confined in prison. A fat man any time for favors.

More than likely that is the last of the recommendation, for it stands to reason that if nothing has been done up until this time there will never be any conviction. Negroes and earnest, thoughtful patriots, however, cannot help but rejoice, owing to the stand the governor took. Crimes of the kind are more terrible when aided and abetted by the word or even the silence of those whose sworn duty is to speak against them.

Is a fat man more susceptible to influence, to pressure than other men, showing more heart, or is it in us who approach them—approaching them with more confidence? At any rate nine individuals out of ten will select a fat man out of a group as the one with whom he will best succeed when soliciting for favors. Governor Ralston has had an extra-sized chair made to accommodate his avoirdupois. He signalized his entry into office by turning a man out of prison.

The committee having in charge the display incident to the inauguration of President-elect Wilson will pay no attention to Mr. Wilson's request for simplicity in the arrangements. One hundred thousand dollars has been raised and congress is expected to appropriate $25,000. On the inaugural committee, which is made up of about 125 persons, there are two Negroes, Richard R. Horner and Rev. J. M. Waldron. It looks as if the race will come in for what it merits from a purely political standpoint.

It is given out, with authority, that Bishop Walters expects nothing at the hands of the incoming administration. In fact the bishop himself is the authority. He said:

"I feel that the bishopric of my church is a high enough office for me, and that my mission in life is higher than that of a political appointment. I want it thoroughly understood that under no circumstances will I accept an appointment."

No; it will not help the bishop to accept any office within the gift of his party. We simply express the general view, as it regards men who have reached eminence in the church.

Willie Frank Williams, of Atlanta, Ga., is determined to make good as an editor. He will be remembered as the young man who printed a paper with his pen, when in Valdosta, Ga., which was spoken of in this publicathetion and several others, last July. The Freeman said at the time that such ingenuity and patience would not go unrewarded. The young man chose as his reward to be an editor. He is now attending Clark university, and, in the meanwhile is assisting Editor W. S. Lowery, of the Southern Life magazine. We congratulate the young man, owing to his success in being able to follow the bent of his mind. He is also to be congratulated because of his ability to stick in school during his "apprenticeship." For when the props and stays are flung aside he will discover that whatever store of knowledge he has taken on will be none too great for his calling.

The officers of the National Negro Press association show wisdom in changing their midwinter meeting place from Washington to Philadelphia. They will be in a position to survey the field upon which they are to hold their big convention next August and will get into close touch with the editors and managers upon whose shoulders will largely rest the responsibility for making that meeting a success. The Quaker craftsmen have indicated in no uncertain tones that they want the preliminary conference held there, and such an invitation is tantamount to a command. Besides, with five papers in Philadelphia, all in hearty accord with the spirit of the National Negro Press association, the organization will find itself in the midst of a sympthetic atmosphere, and an extended "glad hand" is the prime requisite for any enterprise yet in its formative stage of development. The press "gang" is wise in deciding to go to Philadelphia on February 1.

It is now fifty years since the Colored people of the United States of America were set at liberty. The subject of slavery is not a very cheerful theme yet the thing was endured. The emancipation was signal, unusual, of unspeakable worth, and because of which, together with the changed relations it is no less than a duty for the beneficiaries to commemorate the event now and then. And by the way we were not alone the beneficiaries. The whole country, the enntire world of civilization benefitted by Lincoln's great act.

Perhaps it would not be well to call attention to our liberation in a great way every year. We refuse to enthuse over the subject. Thoughts of slavery do not stimulate respect for the race from without nor within, yet it is clearly up to us to keep in mind the event of liberation and its train of circumstances, doing them fitting honor from time to time lest we forget gratitude is a basic principle of civilization as we know it today.

Mayor Gaynor, of New York, thinks of taking active steps against theaters that discriminate against colored people. In event he succeeds in bringing about what the colored people hope for, it will be up to them to treat their opportunity, just as the white people do. White people of little means are not seen perched up in $1.50 and $2 seats simply because they have that much money in their pockets. And this has been the trouble ending with the colored people being generally barred. Negroes have abused their privileges in this respect, because they had the price. Society has a way of caring for itself, a thing we long since have found out.

More often than otherwise those unexpected in such places, the best seats, are seen there, consequently drawing attention which does not mean for our good. This does not excuse the prejudice, which is known to exist, but if we are governed by the general laws of society in such matters much of the discrimination will disappear.

THE NEGRO DAILY.

Dr. M. A. Majors is making a strong plea for Negro daily papers. We have no objection to them, but we cannot see any room for them. Race prejudice has made the weekly publications necessities. We cannot see that it will cause the need of daily publications. Really we would not care for a condition that would compel us to depend wholly on race publications for information concerning us. The situation is as ideal as it can get tobe under the circumstances. There are certain lines of information that are handled by the publications by white men and which could not be done by us without an expense greatly out of proportion to possible results.

We are put to some inconvenience, true enough, owing to the long intervals between publication days, yet the condition cannot be bettered, as we view it. The greater happening in the meanwhile, however, are noted by the white press. After all this is fair enough, since the greater white dailies are more given to things of general importance than otherwise. That same strata of society among white people in which we find ourselves is given not much more consideration than we are given. Because the greater happenings of the country are among white people it easliy appears that the prejudice is much greater than it is.

Negro race publications have been the means of encouraging the race. And this was helpful. The publications by white men speaking in the much greater part for the white people, stands for all of them, whether of one strata or another, consequently sets of them or parties, do not see the necessity for special journals, as we do. And yet there are special journals of the races answering special demands as Negro publications do. A few dailies are among them, but they are for guidance to people, as a rule, who have not as yet taken on our customs and habits. The difference, we think, is plain to see.

GOV. TENER WOULD REVOKE COATESVILLE'S CHARTER.

Governor Tener, of Pennsylvania, has put himself on record diametrically in opposition to Governor Blease, of South Carolina. In his annual message to his state Governor Tener scores the citizens and officials of Coatesville, recommending that the town's charter be revoked because of the persons who lynched a Negro there eighteen months ago have gone unpunished.

The Governor's recommendation, in part, is as follows:

"I believe that the authority of the legislature should be invoked with respect to the borough of Coatesville, and that her charter be taken away. Governmental functions were given her as an arm of tthe state, but she betrayed the trust reposed in her. Had her officials or her citizens done their duty the commonwealth would not have been disgraced and her fair name dishonored. People of this borough by fomenting murder and consorting with murderers have not only violated the laws and obstructed the administration of justice, but, in my judgment, have forfeited the high privilege of further acting as a governmental agency of the state. I, therefore, recommend the enactment of appropriate legislation providing for the dissolution of boroughs, to the end that state agencies like the borough of Coatesville, which set the laws at defiance, outrage the peace and dignity of the commonwealth may be obliterated from among her orderly municipalities."

ST. LOUIS, MO., NOTES.

THE METROPOLIS OF THE WEST.

(By C. Sullivan Cass.)

Mr. Harold Williams, son of Mrs. Mattie Jackson, of 3037 Pine street, died on Tuesday evening, following an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Williams was secretary of the Adelphic Club, and held the honor of being the champion runner of Sumner high school, of which, at the time of his death, he was a student. His funeral was held from St. Elizabeth's Catholic church. The Freeman extends sympathy to the bereaved family.... Miss Ella Thompson, of 2626 Bernard street, left Tuesday for Oberlin, O., accompanied by her father. Miss Thompson will attend school at Oberlin. She was extensively entertained during the holidays.... The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Bibbs, of 2651 Bernard street, died Monday at 8 a. m. Mrs. Bibbs is a sister of Chas. S. Carr, the representative of The Freeman, in this city.... Prof. Steward, of the Associated Press, was in the city last week, the guest of Rev. W. Sampson Brooks, pastor of St. Paul's A. M. E. church....Mr. Norman Goodman entertained at dinner in a private room of Ferguson's cafe in honor of Mr. Oliver B. Terry and Mr. Charles S. Carr, Friday at noon. Mr. Terry will leave soon for Chicago, accompanied by Mr. Goodman......Young ladies coming to St. Louis to make this their home, are asked to visit the Young Women's Christian Association.....The Freeman is for sale at all the leading colored barber shops and drug stores here....Mr. Wm. Hill, of 4216 Finney avenue, entertained in honor of Mr. Oscar A. Callet, of Binghampton, N. Y., on Wednesday evening, January 16....All men are invited to be present at the Y. M. C. A. each Sunday. Bible Class at 3 p. m. Short lectures by able speakers at 4 p. m. 2700 Lawton avenue....Mr. C. Sullivan Carr gave a theater party at the Olympic to see "The Daughter of Heaven," in honor of Mr. Oscar A. Callet, of Binghampton, N. Y.....The members of St. Paul A. M. E. church gave a get-together banquet in their reception rooms on Thursday evening, January 16. The debt had been paid off on the church and the mortgage was burned to ashes. There were a large number present and a beautiful program was rendered. Rev. Brooks, the pastor, was the speaker of the evening.

NEGROES LOSING JOBS—FOREIGNERS TAKING THEM.

(By George Slaughter.)

The scum of over-populated Europe is being dumped into the large cities of the seaboard and with their ideas of government by force are spreading doctrines and practices of anarchy throughout the country, making such conditions possible as are being exposed in the countless murders, robberies and assassinations in such cities as New York and Chicago. These ignorant hordes of European barbarians are drifting to the cities of the South and West and are supplanting the patient and faithful natives both white and black, and are coming to be an awful menace to the safety of American institutions. In our city a Greek company has been organized to take the places of Negro janitors and chauffeurs and a most noticeable instance is the recent dismissal of all Negro janitors from the employment of the Louisville Trust Company, at Fifth and Market streets. The white tenants of the building, knowing the docile nature of the Negro and the ferocious disposition of the depraved modern Greek, are very indignant and are urging colored people to withdraw their business and deposits from the Louisville Trust Company and deposit their funds in the National Bank of Commerce at Fifth and Main streets, which recently declined the "cheap labor of Europe" for the native Negro laborer. A number of intelligent colored men met at 446 South Eighth street last night and passed resolutions calling on colored people to do their banking at the Bank of Commerce and to organize to resist the "eruption of the Greek." Many southern white people here are taking sides with the colored people in the movement from their knowledge of the trustworthiness of the average Negro and the uncertainty of the modern Greek.

The National Window Cleaning Co., a Greek corporation with headquarters on Fifth street, near Green, has succeeded in getting many stores to use this "cheap service." These Greeks hope to get a foothold in the city as servants and finally hope to work up and mix with the best classes of white people. Several gentlemen are busy taking a list of the places of business that employ Greek help with the intention of boycotting them.

PARIS, KY.

Mr. Homer Nutter, formerly of the State University of Louisville, has returned home and entered business with Mr. James Corbin. The firm will be known as Corbin & Nutter....After the heavy rain Friday and Saturday the waters flooded the lower part of Ruckerville, a little suberb of Paris, inhabited by Negroes. The water did very much damage to their property....The young men of Paris have organized a Golden Seal Club. They are going to open a handsome clubroom. Mr. Oliver Keith, president, and Mr. Charley Bland, secretary....The Freeman can be found at Paris, Ky., at Tommie Steele's place, 124 Main street.

FOUNDATION OF WASHINGTON FAME.

Booker T. Washington in Chicago—Honors for George Ellis—City Briefs.

(By Cary B. Lewis, 3000 State St.)

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 14.—Dr. Booker T. Washington, the famous principal of Tuskegee Institute, was in the city last week at the well-known Palmer House. He was here on business for his school and had a conference with Dr. George C. Hall, Mr. Julius Rosenwald, the noted philanthropist, and others, who are to go to Tuskegee February 23 to attend the dedicatory exercises of the new hospital recently erected and donated by a wealthy white woman of the East. When seen by the representative of the Freeman, among other things, the famous "Wizard of Tuskegee" said: "I am just here for a few hours on business in the interest of Tuskegee. We are doing everything possible to raise the necessary endowment and current expenses to carry on the work of the institute. I am proud of the liberal one-dollar donations being made by our people as well as the large sums made by our white friends."

Dr. Washington looked the very picture of health. The Tuskegee teacher seems to grow upon the public with passing and flight of time. A few days ago a test vote was sent out from New York upon the most distinguished citizens of America, and to the credit of the Negro race of the world, the results of the vote disclosed that Miss Jane Adams, of Chicago, stood first, Col. Theodore Roosevelt, of Oyster Bay, second, and Dr. Booker T. Washington, third.

This vote placing Dr. Washington above presidents, financiers, millionaires and philanthropists, college presidents and college professors is a deserving and well-earned tribute to the worth and the services of one of the great world teachers of today. The peculiar significance of this vote is that while it seeks to recognize the well-earned distinction of an American man of color, yet the question of color is entirely excluded, and in a true sense is an expression from the best circles of the country of the service that a colored man can be recognized as having rendered to the whole country. This vote is an inspiration to the Negro people of all countries, and it is especially significant to the colored people of America. tI serves to illustrate in such a splendid way the Tuskegee spirit and to embody in such an impressive manner the life-giving principles of this greatest of living American teachers.

One of the glories of his philosphies is that it seeks to liberate the white man from his prejudices by lifting the Negro up through self-activity and constructive service. One of the most potent factors in the Washington philosophy is that it seeks to turn the attention of his race to the first essentials of living and to regard these fundamentals as the only foundation upon which to rear the structure of permanent and enduring success. It may be true that some prejudice will yield to the influence of agitation, but it is certain that more must surrender to the demands of work and service.

The recognition of the status of colored people as an American problem has been considered by many before and since the civil war, but Mr. Washington is the first to inaugurate a practical policy which treated this problem, not from the standpoint of the colored citizen alone, or even of the South, but from the standpoint of the advancement of the whole people. We therefore think that those who voted that Dr. Washington was the third citizen of this republic were more than correct. They might have wisely and truly voted further that he is among the first citizens of the world.

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Col. John R. Marshall.

Col. John R. Marshall, of this city, has gone to Tuskegee Institute, Ala., to be gone for several days. The colonel is the commanding officer of the famous Eighth Regiment and is known throughout America as the only man of color to be at the head of a regiment, every member of which is a Negro. We do not know the object of his visit, but we are sure that his stay with Dr. Washington and Mr. Emmet J. Scott will be pleasing, and any information he may impart will be useful and interesting. Colonel Marshall is the third-ranking colonel of the eight colonels of the state of Illinois, and is held in the highest esteem both by Governor Deneen and Adj. Dickson.

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William Stanley Braithwait.

It was very pleasing to note that Mr. William Stanley Braith waite, of Boston, Mass., was given such lengthy space in the Literary Digert of December 28, and it has been widely read by the literary people of this city. Mr. Braithwaite contributed his eighth annual survey of what has been accomplished in the past twelve months. He confined himself to six leading American magazines—Harper's, Century, Scribners, Lippincott's, McClures' and the Forum. In this year's article he added the Bellman, The American, The Delineator, Everybody's, The Bookman and the Smart Set.

Mr. Braithwaite is the chief literary critic of the Boston Transcript and is a Negro. He is a poet and he has written these reviews annually, and they have given such splendid satisfaction that he is now recognized as the leading poet of America. It is a great honor to the Negro race to have one of its members even among the leading critics of the American poets.

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Alderman Hardin.

Alderman Hardin is sending out cards to his constituents, asking the voters whether they are in favor of segregation or not. The best people are for the abolishment of such districts. The very powerful combinations which govern these districts have proven a menace to the government of Chicago. It has been proven that women who run houses of ill-fame are more protected than the descent and respectful citizens. These people pay more money for protection than some people who pay taxes; hence the people who feed the grafters of vice have more protection than most citizens. There are a number of other reasons, Mr. Hardin, but these will suffice for the present.

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Fiftieth Anniversary.

Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett and a number of well-known people, it i ssaid, have engaged the Auditorium to celebrate the emancipation of the Negro, which will take place February 12. Mr. ames Munday is engaged in rehearsing a monster chorus for the occasion. In order to fill such a monster place as the Auditorium, it would be well to do some "gilt edge" advertising. The place holds some six or seven thousand people.

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Jack Johnson Seized.

Jack Johnson, who has kept the white papers filled with black headlines for the past three months and whose actions has been a great detriment to the colored people, is now again before the dizzy light of notoriety. He made a flight to Canada without notifying the authorities. He went to Battle Creek, taking the train at Forty-seventh street and upon his arrival was arrested to await the coming of the Chicago officers. He claims, however, he had no intention of violating the federal law in forfeiting his $30,000 bond.

The Winfield Tragedy of Letters.

In the Winfield Standard Oil scandle which seems to have Chicago as the base of its most recent developments, occupied the stage before the Platt senatorial committee of inquiry through the well-known personality of Gilchrist Stewart, of New York. The Record-Herald, Tribune and other papers in this city give Mr. Stewart's story three columns with a prominent place upon the first page with large and glaring headlines. Mr. Stewart told of his visits to Chicago, but did not tell his real purpose here, nor did he fully disclose the nature and true quality of his mission. He told of his visits and telephone talks with Winfield and other citizens of Chicago. The most important thing disclosed by him is what he terms a faker arrest of himself by a number of supposed officers in taxicabs and of him being kidnaped and taken to the Hearts officers where the editor of the Examiner was acting as presiding judge. This same party of supposed officers visited and searched Winfield's house, the place where Mr. Stewart, Keystone and Gumms' saloon and other important places in Chicago, looking for Standard Oil letters, which were thought to be in the possession of Mr. Stewart, and which were obtained from Winfield. We may expect Mr. Stewart to give other remarkable disclosures before he finishes his inning at the bat.

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More Honors for George W. Ellis.

The Chicago Defender of last week, speaking of Mr. George Ellis, said that more honors have been heaped upon Hon. Geo rge W. Ellis, the brilliant lawyer and writer, whose biography appears in "Whose Who of America." Mr. Ellis has been engaged to contribute to another monthly magazine, this making the fifth of which he receives compensation. He is a member of a number of learned societies in Europe, among them may be mentioned the African Society for the Study of Native Institutions, and Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of London. He has just received a communication from the Hon. Secretary D. Lewis Poole of the Royal Societies Club, St. James street, Southwest, London, in which communication he is informed that he is eligible for membership in the Royal Societies Club and by a resolution of the committee he has been invited to become a member thereof.

The Royal Societies Club has its club house at 63 St. James street. It is the most esoteric of the social clubs of London. Its membership includes persons who are members of learned European societies and have in some way distinguished themselves in some of the great departments of human activity. The presid ent of this club is the Right Hon. Earl of Halsbury, D. C. L. F. R. S., and the late Lord Chancellor of England. It has a number of distinguished vice-presidents, the first one being the Right Hon. Earl Curzon, of Kedleston, G. C. S. I., G. C. E. I., F. R. S., P. R. G. S. The head of the executive committee is the Right Rev. Lord Bishop Barking, F. S. A.

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The club house of this Royal Societies Club is one of the most central, commodious and attractive in St. James, the traditional clubland of London, and is located in the most aristocratic club section of the city. It contains a special lounge hall, gorgeously ornamented with the most costly leather covered furniture for rest and retiring ease; a saloon with chess annex equally decorated with appropriate furniture and tables; a dining hall for the spear of the most sumptuous feasts and banquet boards; a private dining room for the most retiring and seclusive; a morning room, conference room, billiard room, card room, bedrooms, bath and dressing rooms, passenger lift, and most important of all, a magnificent library room, with a most extensive collection of the standard works and books of reference which is regarded by the competent of critics as one of the finest club libraries in London and which constitutes one of the distinctive features of attraction of this celebrated club house. Members of the club are invited to contribute copies of their public works, memiors, books of reference, works of art, maps, pictures, engravings and other useful things and other objects of artistic and permanent interest.

Privileges of Members.

All members are elected by a committee of thirty distinguished celebrities consisting of such extraordinary personalities as Dr. ohn Scott Keltie, secretary of the Royal Geographical Society and author of that epoch-making book, "The Partition of Africa." Persons residing in the city of London must pay entrance fee of eight pounds. Colonial and foreign members are entitled to a residence in Great Britain for a collective period of three months in each year. They are permitted to introduce and entertain their guests and the lectures and other meetings of the members of the club are available without charge in the conference room.

This honor comes to Mr. Ellis, a colored American, by reason of his studies in Africa and his connection with a number of American and European societies of acknowledged learning. The citizens of Chicago feel proud of the high distinction accorded Mr. Ellis.

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Little Marvel Clinkscale, 6233 Indiana avenue, became ill Sunday evening at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Della Lewis, and it resulted in tonsilitis which has caused her mother some little concern. Dr. Dailey was called and began treatment. Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Clinkscale and the little girl were to have gone to California Tuesday of this week, but they will be delayed until Marvel is better and well.

Mr. Benjamin, of Boston, Miss., is in the city, stopping at the Carter Villa, 3256 Rhodes avenue, and is having a good time among his many friends. Mr. T. Alfred A nderson is expected to give a dinner for Mr. Benjamin on Saturday evening of this week at the Grey Stone Front, 3254 Wabash avenue. Twenty persons will be expected.

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A special program is being arranged at the Bethel Literary on Sunday, January 19. "The Literary Lights of the Race" will be the subject of Mr. Cary B. Lewis. After the address the literary will present Mr. Lewis with a gold fountain pen for the interest which he has taken in the growth, development and literary interest of the society in bringing the work of the society before the reading public.

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Major Franklin A. Dennison left on last Sunday morning for Washington on legal business. He will be with Dr. A. M. Curtis, one of his old-time friends, and other distinguished citizens at the capital. It is likely that he will go to New York before returning home.

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Mr. Tom Vance, of Columbus, Ohio, was in the city this week on his way West. He stopped at Brunswick hotel. He will stop at Boley, Okla., Denver and San Francisco. He will return in March. He was pleasantly entertained by a number of former friends.

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Mr. Phil Weller, age forty-eight, died of dropsy Monday evening at his home, 3628 Fores t avenue. He was one of the oldest saloon men in Chicago, having opened the Elite and for six years was mixologist for Mr.. L. Fry at the Keystone. He leaves a wife and two children. He is a member of the Grand Lake lodge of Elks No. 45, who will take charge of the body, paying their last tributes of respect.

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Mrs. Lucy Thurman, sister of Mr. William H. Smith, passed through the city from aJckson, Mich., en route to St. Louis, to visit her brother, Dr. F. Thurman. Where here Mrs. Th urman was entertained by Mr. Smith.

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Messrs. W. R. and Mark Cowan, of this city, were called to Danville, Ky., to be at the bedside of their sick mother. At this writing she is reported to be better.

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Mrs. J. W. Eubanks, who is living with Mrs. Harry Bogar at Thirty-fifth street and Wabash avenue, is very ill. She is the wife of Mr. Eubanks, the well known headwaiter.

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T he city is all agog over the report that a stork is to arrive at the homes of Dr. George Cleveland Hall, Dr. M. A. Majors, Dr. Thomas Officers and Will Brown. The professional men are taking the lead in the Windy City. All seem as happy as new-born babies and wear the smile that won't come off.

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The Young Peoples Progressive Club of Bethel church had an election of officers last week, with Miss Bettie Suel, president; R. E. Westbrooke, vice-president; Miss M. Williams, secretary; Miss L. Hunt, treasurer; Miss B. Willis, chaplain; Mr. J. Peppers, sergeant-at-arms. The officers will be initiated January 20.

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The Griffin Sisters are in the city, arriving on Monday night, late. They are with their mother at 3340 Forest avenue. They are expected to be in and around Chicago during the remainder of the winter. They have traveled many points in the South and often used Pullman sleepers and apartments. They claim that it's an awful fight to get justice and fairness in the South, and yet they are much pleased with their success there. They report having splendid health, save a cold. Their telephone is Douglass 3295.

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Miss Ruth Boger has been in the city during the Xmas holidays, stopping with her brother, Mr. Harry Boger, at Thirty-fifth and Wabash avenue. She reports a delightful stay in the "Windy City."

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Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett will organize a Suffragist Club on Thursday of this week. An invitation has been extended the colored women of this city and state to join the nation-wide movement for women's suffrage. A meeting was held at Quinn Chapel on Sunday night when initial efforts were made in this direction.

AT KENTCKY'S CAPITAL.

High Waters Affected Hundreds of Homes in the Colored Section—A Pitiful Sight at the Old State House—Joint Military Ball—Prayer Service in Stone's Barber Shop—Johnson and Diamond Render Good Service.

(By Hardin Tolbert, at Peoples Pharmacy, Both Phones, 666, Box 255.)

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Special)—The highest waters witnessed in this city since 1883 prevailed last week. The colored section was surrounded by the water of the river. Boats were the only means of travel for several of our citizens. The cold weather caused a considerable amount of suffering. The ice and coal wagons could not accommodate the homeless, distressed people. A continuous cry was heard from far and near for help, and the wagons were all taxed to their capacities to relieve the suffering ones. The Charity Association rented wagons to help the deluged people, but with all their kindly assistance all could not be reached. The mayor sent orders for all the people near the waters to vacate their houses because the water was expected to rise still higher, but those who lived as far as two squares from the river did not anticipate any such danger and were overtaken by the rising flood. The river extended to St. Clair street by Saturday noon, and women and children were in the streets crying for help. Every empty house was filled with the refugees and the benevolent people assisted them in every way possible. By Saturday night the water had surrounded the Peoples pharmacy, and the proprietors were unable to gain entrance until Monday morning only by means of boats. The writer made a quick trip up in the city, and before he could return the water had surrounded his residence. Many valuable papers were damaged, but there was no desire on the part of the people to read in such a dire situation as this. The writer went to the residence of Capt. John Allen and is now at the home of Mrs. Lucy M. Young on St. Clair street. Many thanks to all the kind friends. A large number of persons were housed in the old state house, in the workhouse and various other places Saturday night. Mothers and children were forced to leave their homes without sufficient clothing, and much suffering was the result. One woman who was ill had to be taken to the old state house for shelter, simply because there is no hospital here for our people. This state of affairs is certainly a reflection on our fair city and state, and should be remedied at once. We as citizens of Kentucky are entitled to some protection in the way of hospital service for our sick and injured members of the colored race. If there is anything that the people of Frankfort ought to do, it is to help the struggling King's Daughters erect a hospital, and in this manner eleviate the sufferings of many a worthy colored person. It was thought for a time that the South Frankfort bridge would be swept away by the roaring mass of waters, but the structure withstood the maddened onslaught. It will take years and years for our people to recover from this awful disaster. Women and children were forced to struggle through the surging waters in half-drowned condition, while men carried some of them to places of safety. Some were taken away in vehicles and any other sort of conveyances accessible. This was one time when the white people refused to draw the color line. The Almighty had one line, and we were all in it. The automobiles of the wealthy lent aid to the most lowly ones, and a bond of sympathy was welded among the white and colored people as never before. The Governor granted privilege of using the old state house as a shelter place and the blankets of the old state arsenal were used. The loss to the white people is very heavy, and they can sympathize with their colored friends, who, likewise, are heavy losers by the flood. The police force rendered great service to the people. After this high rise there was one of the main pipes of the water system broke eight feet under the water, and the citizens had to have drinking water hauled from the river. After the waters receded there was a general house-cleaning period in this section of the city. The water pipe will soon be repaired. This has been a sorrowful time for Frankfort people, and will be long remembered. Among those who faithfully aided the distressed are the Messrs. Armour Blackburn, John Henry, Thomas Berry and Russell Childs. A number ofother good people helped the suffering, but it is not possible for us to secure their names. Suffice it to say that they have the sincere thanks of the people.

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Messrs. Press Johnson and Black Diamond are to be highly commended for their faithful service during the high waters. The slogan cry was Johnson and Diamond. They were as attractive as the most charming young lady in the parlor ready to receive her company. They were ready and willing to help those in distress. The women seem to be as much interested about their pianos as they were about their lives. Their request was, save my piano and let the rest go, but be sure and save my piano. Tell Mr. T. K. Robb, or the first wagon you see, to come and get my piano. Oh! don't let my piano get wet, was their last request.

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Mrs. M. B. Jackson has left Louisville.

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Mrs. Charles Steward, representing the United Press, was the guest of Mrs. A. D. Coleman.

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We will make a large display in the Pythian Monitor of all the colored lodges of this city. Look for the February number. The Monitor is a national fraternal monthly paper and is located at Cincinnati.

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Our notse are cut short on account of so much distress among our people.

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A very nice crowd attended the military ball at the Odd Fellows hall. Mr. Harvey Fields was door keeper.

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Prayer service was held at Mr. Eugene Stone's barber shop Saturday evening, on Mero street. As the boats and people were floating by the tonsoral artist's parlors Mrs. Eugene Stone, imbued with that Christian spirit to pray in or out of trouble, was the leader of a prayer service with her help. MMr. Albert Irving, of New Orleans, is the head facial groomer, who succeeded Mr. P. H. Johnson, who left for his home in Paris, after a few weeks spell of sickness.

We have a treat for the readers of our column next week, as on account of so much water we were unable to get it out this week.

Edward Clark, magician, was a caller at the Freeman office this week. At the Crown Garden.

Brown Sisters closed at the Majestic theater, Columbia, Mo., Saturday. Will be in Kansas City next week.

The Pewees at the Howard theater, Washington, D. C., this week. Just closed at the Hopkins theater.

Williams and Stevens last week at Boonton, N. J. This week at the National Winter Garden in New York City.

Eddie E. Daye, the contortionist, just closed two weeks at Douglass theater, Macon, Ga. This week at New Grand theater, Augusta, Ga.

Malloy and Malloy closed a successful week's engagement at Green's theater, with Chicken ones on the bill. He went big with his single act.

The Nashville Students at Clayton theater, North Sydney, N. S., this week, also at Gaiety theater. Address, 47 W. 133rd street, New York.

Chas. Anderson now in Nashville, Tenn., at the Twelfth Avenue theater, having great success, after thirty-two weeks in the North and East.

Miss Virginia Wheeler has joined the Central Stock Company, now playing the Central theater, of Atlanta. She was formerly with the Southern Smart Set.

Williams and Stevens would like to hear from Professor Leach, Winton O. Williams, Will Bostwick, Miss Jennie Taylor, Miss Jennie Day and Miss Sadie Britton.

John and Lila Moore, Italian impersonators, stopped the show at the Alpha theater, Cleveland, O., this week. They say their kind of work is now being appreciated.

Willie Owens (the Tennessee Kid) has been at home resting during the holidays and taking life easy. Will be en route next week. He says the Freeman for him for news.

Leigh Whipper, now with the Southern Smart Set Co., returns to vaudeville January 27, playing the L. D. Joel Circuit. His opening will be at the Central theater, Atlanta, with Chattanooga, Savannah and Tampa to follow.

D. W. Batsell will complete his six months' contract with the Lebanon, Tenn., band on January 20th. After that date he will be at home at 223 South Poplar street, Florence, Ala. Address all mail there or care of The Freeman.

Stovall and Stovall, of Louisville, Ky., are doing a two weeks' engagement at the Olio in that city. They are winning praises for their great success. The quality of the work is drawing largely, great audiences are present at each performance.

Marvelous "La Vola," slack wire king, will soon be seen in Jacksonville, Fla. He is having great success in vaudeville. Hello, to Eph Williams' bunch. Goff Kennedy, write. Oh, well, if you don't, somebody else will—and the world goes on.

Bert Whitman and her three Sunbeams have just finished five weeks for Bert Marshall in and about Cleveland, Ohio. Now taking six months' work with T. Dwight Pepple, producer of big vaudeville acts. Three "kids" have been added, making a company of seven people.

CROWN GARDEN.

Every act on the bill this week is up to the average. The feature films are stories of interest and everyone in the audience showed from the amount of applause they gave each act, that they were well pleased.

Tim and Hester Moore.

Are one big hit. Mr. Moore is the best low comedian that we have ever seen here, and he has the drawing power of String Beans as far as the box office is concerned, and his work is that of a real actor, as he is a clean, legitimate comedian.

Ed Clark.

Some magician. His part of the entertainment was well received. Mr. Clark is clever.

John Jackson.

late of Cole and Johnson's "Red Moon" company, proved himself a lyric tenor of merit.

The pictures were the best ever seen anywhere. By K. C. E.

CIRCLE THEATER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The old year's gone and worries of the holidays are over, but they had no effect on the Circle whatever. The business seems even more than phenomenal. Miss Gertrude Williams, creole soubret, sang and danced in a style like Miss Eva Tanguay every night.

The comedians, Crosby and Wilson, did a meritorious comedy singing and dancing act, Douglass Crosby reminding much of the late Neil Moore.

The Princess Sontanki, in oriental magic and the dance of death, repeated her usual success. The adding of mental telepathy sent the act up 100 per cent.

Nugent and White, a new team, made a tremendous hit, and had to respond to many encores. Mr. Nugent is a real good comedian, and Miss White is a clever assistant with a good voice.

Last, but not least, Johnnie Woods and Wooden Henry, the loudest and most clever singing ventriloquist ever seen here, fairly capsized the bill

This week we had Stone and Stone, clever sketch artists; the Mississippi Trio, with Thomas Delaney, Gussie Smith and Essie Delaney; the Three Dixie Girls,—Edith Waddell, Marie H. Banks and Mamie Butler.

The last week of Johnnie Woods, assisted by Mr. Wooden Henry.

The orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Ricketts, is the feature of this house, and many come just to hear the musical concerts. The personnel is as follows: Eugene Millner, violinist; W. Adkins, cornetist and Robert Smith, traps. Their work is excellent, and they are responsible for many of the compositions.

THE GLOBE THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

The bill at the Globe theater the week of January 6 was considered one of the best of the season, consisting of the Lew Kenner Stock Company and an olio of nothing but headliners. Stage manager Kenner, although in his fourteenth week here, put another one over and is the cause of the S. R. O. nightly. Mr. Kenner is in the front rank as a producer and when assisted by such able people as his teammate, Miss Millie Williams, Mme. Mines Ora Jackson and the rest of the good performers in his company is bound for success. Clark and Moldrow are doing fine.

The olio consists of C. H. Coffey, the Great Adams and the Butlers. The Great Adams opened the olio with one of the best novelties of the season, and what he can't do in trick bicycle riding, no one else can, as he simply caused a riot.

Next come the Butlers with their own songs, something of which very few can boast, and as they dress their act, that is something more. They got theirs. "Nuff sed." Closing the olio is C. H. Coffey, the boy who is original, singing his own songs and parodies and has something fresh every day, and gets his as only twenty-six years of experience can produce, and the manager and everyone else says that he is in the front rank as a song producer and parody producer, and as a singer he has them all taling. Manager Crowd, the prince of the colored show business, is wearing the smile that just can't come off, and is loved by every member of his present company. Right here I want to say that any act playing South and doesn't play the Globe theater is missing a holiday and the opportunity of meeting one of the best and noblest managers in the South, white or black, and any act that says he isn't all right isn't right themselves, that's all, for Frank Crowd is a good fellow in general and a daddy to the profession.

Kenner and Williams, C. M. Coffey and the rest of the bunch send regards to all. Prof. Mickle's orchestra of twelve pieces is cleaning up nightly with their selections.

NEW YORK NOTES.

(By The Old Owl.)

A good bill week before and last week at each house. Dixon and Hansom returned with a new act, in which they were well received. Jim Towell went good, but why he failed to catch them at the Olympic theater in Brooklyn last Monday is a puzzle to me.

Nichols and Logan returned, and at Nichols' starting point, too. Well, they cleaned up—that's all.

Frank sharp, a dancer, got by nicely, and Hop Sing, Chinese musical, closed the bill.

Last Monday's bill opened with Mme. Laura Moss. I'm sorry to say that the Harlem people don't like her style of singing, never did and never will. Her first songs, in a pinch, might do, but the last one was very bad, consequently she was closed, and Mme. May Mullen, another prima donna, taken on her place, and in each number went good.

Gray and Gay, the picaninnies, as singers and dancers went fair.

Gordon, the comedy female impersonator, got by.

The Stewart Brothers have improved wonderfully since I last saw them. They are now closing with a boxing contest, which is very funny. At the finish they are both knocked out. The act was the hit of the bill.

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The Crescent Theater.

On entering this theater I was told by the management that immediately after the picture was over which was then on, the show would start. I was seated in one of the boxes. Then I noticed that the drummer, who had been silent, made up his mind to play, and I wish he had never started. How the piano player can stand that noice, I cannot see. At this day and date we have drummers who are giving lessons in that line, and a few lessons would do that young man good; but to the relief of myself and others around me, when the show was about to start, out came a real drummer. I think he was a member of the company, and the performance started off.

The Reese Brothers' Africander Company of eleven people, in two acts, opened up with a minstrel first part, in which a number of good songs and jokes were used.

After another picture came the last act of the Reese Brothers' Africander Company. It was a plantation scene, where Mr. Small in his old man character gets a chance to display his talent. He is at home in this, as he was with the Coon Hollow Company and others, of which he and his wife, in her lifetime, were featured as being the best characters of old man and old lady in the business. Yes, he is the same old Charley Small as of years ago, and as active as a boy of fifteen. I shall say more of these people some time later.

The Reese Brothers hold their own wonderfully well, and everything they did was well received. I remember the first time I saw them work. It was in 1895. They look today as they did then. They are two clever boys and have some pretty numbers in the show, which is well staged.

Miss Florence Blue has a very strong voice and sings well all through the choruses. She could be heard above all the rest. When she came to her number she sang "When the Sun Goes Down." The audience showed its appreciation by bringing her back several times. She has the making of a clever performer, and all she needs is the opportunity to develop.

The orchestra was led by Prof. Chas. Alexander, one of those old-time, real musicians, who knows how to take a few men and get a whole lot of music out of them. He has a nice orchestra.

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Family Theater.

Kelly and Catlin opened Monday week's bill and went good. Miss Maude Jones is very clever. Her work caught them big. Oliver and Butler went fair. The Mississippi Trio did all right.

The past week opened with Lairnia Turner. This was a very good act.

Billy Ward went good, and Peat and Hayes were a knockout.

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Pioneer Theater.

Now this house is booking independent, so your acts can book with the management and save that 5 per cent.

Monday's bill opened with the Jolly Dixielanders, who went great. The Hawaiian Trio in their native songs, artistic guitar playing and Hula-Hula dance was a scream.

Burke Hart's original talking pictures, including fifteen funny toy comedians, closed the show.

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Franklin Theater.

The great Bartel, ventriloquist, got closed, but Miss M. Jacobs went big.

Harley Francis did fairly well, but Harrison Stewart and his eight Dixie Kids were a feature attraction and went big. Go on, Harrison; we wish you success.

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The Two Sims, Sank and Blanche, are now playing the Fox time. January 6 at the Dewey theater, Fourteenth street. Happy New Year to all.

The Hollidays have several weeks on the Sha and Sha time. They opened Monday at Hazelton, N. Y.

Lee and Lee have some good time pending.

The Tolliver Trio is doing nicely in and around New York.

Eddie White's hand laundry, 32 West 135th street, is the place where most of the performers have their work done.

The Moores, John and Lila, are not with the aggregation they went west to join. They spent two weeks there, but are back in vaudeville in Cleveland, Ohio, now. "Mum" is the word, they say.

Madam Jacobs, Miss Sadie Williams and Miss Barbara Denslow are getting a trio together. The characters represented will be a soubret, old woman, buck and wench and a yamer number.

Prof. Smart's Watermelon Trust was a failure on their opening date. After rehearsing over two weeks, they opened up on New Year's day at Ossening, N. Y., matinee, and the act was closed. The fault is laid on Charles Day, the comedian, who at the last moment refused to go on.

MUSIC AND STAGE.

Abbie Mitchell at the President—Harrison Emanuel to Give Recital—Topics Along the Stroll.

The Grand Theater.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 14. (Special)—Swann's Cockatoes novelty bird act was the first number on the bill the first of the week at the Grand. It not only pleased the young people, but old ones also, for it has such a pretty setting, and the birds act so cleverly and intelligently. They do all manner of stunts, and when the chief bird of training tells how old he is and counts up to forty and tells the time of night by a watch, the audience becomes very enthusiastic. Fa[illegible]er and Waters entertain with a good line of talk and sing several songs, which is followed by an act, "The Master," a story of the woman conquering the man. Wright and Stanley were excellent, coming very near stopping the show, their work being above par. The Ansonia Gladiators, three finely-built men, closed the bill, displaying a number of feats of skill. All were fine specimens of manhood. At intervals Prof Peyton and his orchestra entertained the audience with "Certainly Look Good to Me." The last half of last week the audience was entertained with Frees Brothers and Company, Zuhn and Dries, . Lee K[illegible]are and company, Clyde Hager and Jerry Sullivan and the Royal Namba Japanese Troupe.

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The Monogram Theater.

Rex and Guy, formerly of the Williams and Walker company, made their appearance at the Monogram this week. For appearance Mrs. Rex is one of the most charming women upon the stage, and looks as sweet as she did with "Mr. Lode of Koles." Both are musical and well educated, hence their musical numbers are given very satisfactory, singing "Wait Till We Get Together," "The Golden Corn," "Star of My Dreams," "Jessamine" and "My Cavalier." The team m ade good and quite a credit to the profession. Hugh Turner with his musical instruments played several very popular selections; namely, "I Can't Change It," "Grand Fantassia," "Goodbye, Rose" and "Peace Maker." Pugh, Green and Green were again at the Monogram. A couple of weeks ago we spoke in praise of this team and they still hold their own. Their songs are "I Wonder Where My Easy Rider's Gone," "That's Why They Call Me Shine," "Lingering Love," "Ragtime Man." "StringeBans" was again here and they sing Dave Peyton's "Pussy Cat Rag," "So Long, Brother," "Certainly Looks Good to Me" and several others. The show was good throughout.

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Theatrical Notes.

The charming Miss Abbie Mitchell is playing at the President Theater this week and is making a hit as usual. She is singing a number of new songs much to the satisfaction of the audience and manager. Miss Mitchell expects to remain this winter around the "Windy City" and with her sweet voice and attractive stage manner she can always fi nd work.

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Mr. Dave Peyton will begin soon to rehearse a big orchestra which will give a public entertainment in the early spring. It would be a fine thing if Mr. Smith and Mr. Bra[illegible]on would give an evening to this orchestra for the attaches of the house. We believe there is just enough charity in the hearts of these two gentlemen to do this.

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Johnson and Hart have sailed for Europe to go on the Moss and Stoll time. Mr. Rosemond Johnson was at the head of the Cole and Johnson company.

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Miss Maggie Davis has the act of Ada Walker. Miss Hazel Thompson, of this city, is a member of the company.

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Edgar Con[illegible]or is now with the Sambo Girls with Sam J. Corker, Jr., as manager. Both were with the "Red Moon" company.

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The Smart Set is touring the state of Ohio and Mr. Dudley has written Mr. W. H. Smith about the management of the Louisville Theater.

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Ike Bergen is the real man who has taken charge of the Pekin Theater and it will be a five and ten cent house. Its to be regretted that this old established house is now to have an admittance fee of five cents. The patrons of this house are used to paying good prices to see a good show and all that was necessary was to put in good acts. However, it is hoped that the old house will again see better days.

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There is some talk of Mr. Jerry Mills, the famous stage manager, will take charge of the new theater at 35th and Statae street. This, however, is a report and we have not seen Mr. Mills to corroborate the statement. Mr. Mills is now engaged with the Rositer Music Company.

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Master Reynold Hardin, 250 East 37th street, has a wonderful voice and his rendition of "If I Forget" a few nights ago bids fair to say that he has a splendid future when his voice is matured and then trained.

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When going into the Grand Theater one is met either by Miss Mattie Wright Miss Beatrice Lee, Miss Carrie Fanchette or Miss Mamie Conrad. These young ladies are polite and courteous, nice looking and stylish. For their courtesy no one would embarass them if they would tip them.

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"My Hero," "Ipagliaccia," "Fall in Love with Some One," "Wonder Where My Old Friend Is Tonight," and "Some One" are the songs being rendered by Miss Abbie Mitchell this week. All are fine songs for Miss Mitchell's temperament and no doubt she is scoring big.

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Miss Marie Parker is the dashing and pretty ticket seller at the Grand theater. She has been there quite a while and has become a fixture at the window every night, Sundays and holidays. It would be very pleasing to Miss Patker and Miss Josephine Davis if the public would have in mind and tell these young ladies how many tickets they wish, and not come to the window, laying down a dollar or a half and not telling what they want. They never, whether you are alone or have several others. It would be most agreeable to them if you would just be ready to state how many.

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Dorsey's song shop is not only becoming popular, but is fast gaining the reputation as being the leading musical center in this section of the country. He has an ideal place, quarters well appointed and walls filled with handsome pictures of the most popular theatrical artists in this country. Dorsey and Kelly are at the head of the company, and the way in which they are doing business bids fair to become a business factor in this community.

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The Griffin Sisters are at the Virginia theater this week.

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Simms and Thompson are in Boston and send best regards to friends. Many are anxious to see them on the stroll again.

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The Rose City Quartet is at Gary this week, and will leave next week for the East.

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Horace George is the new clarinet player at the Monogram, Scottie taking a leave of absence.

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Kilne is very proud of the bill this week, for they are packing them in tightly.

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Mr. Harrison Emanuel is contemplating giving a musical this spring at one of the downtown music halls. When Mr. Emanuel gave his first recital at Handle hall it was packed with the best people of Chicago. We hope he will be as successful this year as last. He deserves liberal patronage. He has not only made good at home, but did some splendid work in New York City last year. It would be well for the lovers of music of Chicago to make up their minds to help Mr. Emanuel in his endeavor to pack a house down town, and it would reflect much credit upon us all.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

A combination of thorough stagecraft, fine acting and well conceived and admirably-achieved playmaking, brought forward this week at the Auditorium theater for the edification of the largest and most appreciative audiences at every performance, one of the most delightful of fantasies in variety form. The Whitman Sisters, whose reputation is known the country over, assisted by Sambo and Erin; the costuming was fine, and their act was the cause of the S. R. O. sign being placed out at every performance. They were joined here by their sister Essie. This is their second appearance in fifteen weeks. Allen and Morton were generously applauded; they have a dash and go about them that enthuses the audiences. Their singing and dancing are above the average. Nicholas and Logan, in buck and wing dancing, were well received and elicited much applause in their multiplicity of hard steps. Thelma, the great singing comedienne, has a voice of rich charm, whose accent makes her even more enchanting, brought down the house with many of her songs. Her demure and rather bashful way on the stage only added to her sweetness, and she was always greeted by a storm of applause. This is her second week. Unique and beautiful, too, are the moving pictures.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By Billy Jones.)

Rose Orr and Ray White appeared at the Pioneer theater, New York, in a neat singing and dancing specialty and they scored a complete success.

Billy McClain, manager of Sam McVey and other pugilists, accompanied by Black Carl, paid a visit to the Amsterdam News office in New York City last week.

The new Franklin theater opened on January 2 in Harlem, and from all appearances it is one of the naetest playhouses in that district. Last week the bill consisted of some good acts, with Harrison Stewart and his Dixie Kids.

The Reece Brothers are pleasing the patrons of the Crescent theater, New York City, where they are putting on a good show for the money.

E. H. Robbins is meeting with success with Bill Bailey's Jubilee Company. Robbins was formerly of the team of Burns and Robbins, the blackville students, of Newark, N. J.

Carita Day, the singing comediene, is booked to open at the Palace theater, Londan, May 20.

The Dobbin sisters, Florence and Lillian, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are rehearsing some new song hits.

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Bryant, W.	Mitchell, James
Buckner-Buckner	Moore, Alonzo
Bright, Turner	Pitt, J. B.
Bryon, Joseph O.	Pickett, Dave
Corley, the Clarinetis	Reed, Frank
Daniels, Carl	Reed, Jap
Damon, Prof.	Richardson, Irvie
Daniels, Major W.	Saucy, Ollie
Davenport, Williard	Smith, John
Davis, Fred	Stone, E
Flanks, Fredie	Sweatman, W. C.
Gilpin, Chas.	Simmons, Cress
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Gazan, Billy	Smith, James
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Jenkins, P.	Jerry, Frank.
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Groves, Miss R.	Townsend, Mary
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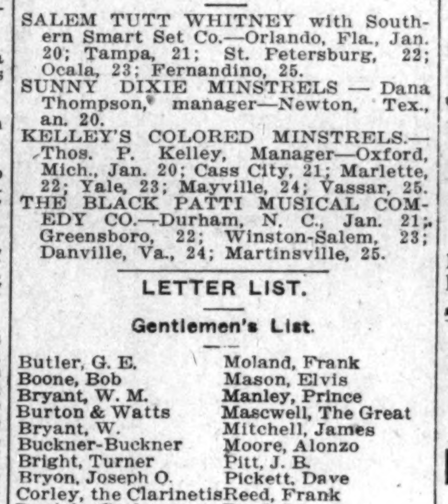

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Very often I have thought,
How much good there might be wrought
(Not by favorites of fate,
Chosen for their high estate);
But the humblest of us all,
Be we great or be we small,
Could draw heaven nigh,
If we'd but try.

As we travel day by day
Along life's steep and rugged way,
We could lighten up the load
Of some traveler on the road;
Chase the shadow from his face,
Let the sunshine take its place;
We could still his weary sigh,
If we'd but try.

When we meet a man that's downed,
We could lift him from the ground,
Place him once more on his feet,
Help him to retrieve defeat;
Aid him to wipe out the stain
Of disgrace, and start again,
With resolve to do or die,
If we'd but try.

Most of us are sure to know
Some man bowed down by weight of woe;
We could take him by the hand,
Somehow make him understand
By our words of hope and cheer,
God is always very near.
We could do this, you and I,
If we'd but try.

There are those who make their creed
One of selfishness and greed.
We could raise their minds above
Thoughts of self, by deeds of love.
We could teach the charity
Reaching all humanity.
This, we could do, you and I,
If we'd but try.

As a ripple from an oar
Rolls until it strikes the shore;
Deeds of good, though smallest mite,
Reach into the infinite.
Blessings here, we may not see,
Wait us in eternity.
Heaven would be ever nigh,
If we'd but try.

STAGE NOTES.

P. G. Lowery's Fashion Plate Minstrels are playing to good business through Ilinois.

Billy Cross is now stage manager of the Queen theater, Wilmington, N. C. He succeeded Landon Johnson. Cross sends regards to all friends.

Will Cooke, of the Black Patti Company, will begin writing a new play for the show at an early date. He says that the company is all right.

Clemo Harris was painfully injured while doing his act at the Gem theater, Towardo, N. Y. Accident occurred January 1. He is under the care of doctors.

Mr. Horse Eubanks, clarinetist, from East St. Louis, is with P. G. Lowery's concert band this winter. Mr. Eubanks is an ambitious young musician and has a bright future.

Chas. W. Alexander, pianist, known as "Baby Charles," resigned at the Dunbar theater, Columbus, O., to become pianist of the Dixie Chorus, under the Ridpath Bureau, Chicago.

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Mr. Jay Bryant, cornet, with P. G. Lowery's Dixie Fashion Plate Minstrels, wishes to be remembered to friends in and around Washington, Pa. Besides his ability as a cornetist he possesses a phenomenal baritone voice.

Little Irma Durbon, of the team of Little Irma and Elbert White, is in her second week at the Gem theater, Atlanta, Ga. She has been down sick for the last four weeks in Jacksonville, Fla., with a bad arm, which is improving slowly. Regards to all friends. No. 20 Piedmont avenue, Atlanta, Ga.

The Sensational Big Three, Bostwick, Green and Bostwick, are at the Elite theater, Selma, Ala., week of the 5th, for two weeks' run, with Montgomery to follow. The act is new, but a decided scream from start to finish. John Dennis and Hattie Payton are making good.

John W. Allen, of Muskogee, Okla., who has led orchestras in many places, now has charge of the Rabbit Foot orchestra, which is said to be the best orchestra passing through the state of Florida this season. Mrs. Allen is stil lin Champaign, Ill., but expects to join her husband in Palaka, Fla.

Hicks and Braxton's Big Four Company now in Atlanta, Ga., at the Arcade theater for two weeks, are having big success. They go to Jacksonville, Fla., next for two weeks at the Globe theater. Hicks says he is going to take the act around the globe, for there is nothing to stop him, as the act has made good everywhere they have played.

METROPOLITAN THEATER, MEMPHIS, TENN.

The Metropolitan theater, under the management of Mr. Seymour opened Monday, December 23, to tremendous crowds. The doors open at 7 o'clock, and the public was ushered into a beautiful palace with a seating capacity of 800, all new opera chairs. This theater has been rebuilt from an airdome to a comfortable house with all the latest improvements for the convenience of its patrons, also its employes. This house uses two vaudeville acts, which must be the best, and three reels of pictures. The well-known team of Griffin Sisters and Stovall and Stovall are here. The orchestra, under the direction of Estell Harris McGill, is all that could be wished for and is composed of the following members: Alex Parker, violin; Leslie Davis, cornet; Albert Fredricks, trombone; Charlie Porter, drums; Estell H. McGill, piano. On Christmas night, Prof. Richard Eckford, famous six-piece orchestra, in conjunction with the house orchestra, entertained the tremendous crowds to their heart's delight. Prof. Eckford's orchestra is composed of the following: Prof. Eckford, violin; Bennie Gray, second violin; Theodore Adams, clarinet; Charlie Williams, cornet; Alex Valentine, trombone; "Doodles," bass violin.

GLOBE THEATER, SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA.

E. N. Calloway and wife are at the Globe theater, Spartanburg, S. C., doing fine. Mr. Calloway takes part in the orchestra, while his wife, Daisy, goes on the stage. Both are doing fine. Prof. Duke Bryant, the pianist, is so much pleased to receive Mr. Calloway in his orchestra, as he is a No. 1 violinist, that it seems as if they had always been together. Master Robert Wilson is doing fine with his drums. He says "I am the trap drum kid."

NOTES FROM SUNN YDIXIE MINSTRELS.

We are still in Texas, enjoying sunshine and warm weather. We laid over in San Antonio, Texas, on Sunday, January 5, where all the boys and girls enjoyed the sight-seeing and spent some of their week's salary. Pewee McCoy is back with us again and resumed his old position as interlocutor and leading man. Dick Brown, our stage manager, keeps our large audiences in an uproar every night and is ably assisted by those funny comedians, Will Nash, Nelson Green, Will Brooks and Hampy Wallburg. Miss Rae Wallburg mops up, as does also do Misses Viola McCoy, Willie Venable and Rosa Ives. W. T. McDonald, our tenor songster, is the hit of the sho wwith his sweet singing. Our eleven-piece band and orchestra is under the leadership of Bert De Leo and is the noisiest piece of furniture that ever struck the South. This show has enjoyed the best season in its history, and has lost but two days this winter on account of cold weather. The ghost never fails to walk, which of course is the secret of Mr. Thompson's success. The Southern Pacific has been pretty hard on show cars this winter, and that is the reason for our success, as Mr. Thompson's private car Dana No. 7, is the only show car they have carried over their lines this winter. Everybody sends best wishes to the theatrical profession and a Merry Christmas to the Freeman. Everybody is well and their bank rolls are getting larger and larger, as each pay day comes around.

SOME VIEWS ON THE STAGE OF TODAY.

To the Editor of The Freeman and who else it may concern:

I have noticed in the advertising columns of The Freeman from time to time the notices of theater managers and proprietors stating their likes and dislikes about plays, and the profitable ones, from a box office standpoint. I have before, and am now starting the ball to rolling, but would like to state in as few words as possible to the public the dramatic writers' trouble. To start with I first interviewed a few managers in various cities I have been in concerning my play and playlets—to be produced at their houses. But it would be the same old '76; my patrons will not stand for high class plays in the dramatic line. So had to leave with no response favorable to my proposition. I next instructed my manager at Louisville, Mr. Al Graham, to correspond with as many managers as possible, or I should say, write to them, because Mr. Graham is yet to receive a reply one way or the other. It's too bad that there are still a few colored business men who never see fit to notice correspondence, if they have no need of your services. But that's all right—give us fifty years more, and we will try and do better as business men.

Now, Mr. Editor, my little gospel here is to ask the press and public, are we not on the eve of a menace in demoralization of Negro civilization? If we continue to sustain in the belief of some managers, that it is only the clownishness and rudeness of acts that the public appreciate, some of these show houses are nothing more than a creeping disgrace unaware to the innermost thoughts of man.

How many times have I tried, not only alone, but with other worthy men of our race in the show business, to give to the colered public plays that are clean and wholesome; plays to which you coul dtake your mother, sister and wife and not be afraid that something insulting might be said.

Who are we to interest in our work, and who play before? The white managers say "Nay, no colored act of that class can play my house." Now must our years of study in the dramatic art go for nought? There are still quite a few of us living, so Mr. Manager, give not only to us, but also to the general public a change, we'll make good in your pockets.

Otherwise stop hanging out your shingle in The Freeman asking for high class playlets and big shows; you may fool the readers, but you can't fool the writers of dramatic plays. Keep an eye on The Freeman and read what the Louisville public thinks of our plays, thanks to Mr. Hogan, of the Olio theater, the man who is soon to start the Imperial Stock Company and its brightness upon the world of ingenuity. We are yours for success on the colored stage.

A. LINCOLN HARRIS.

STROLL NOTES.

By Sidney L. Perrin.

Show Bizz is so quiet around this Windy City sphere that I have all the time to write notes, if I don't I'll go daffy for the want of something to do. So I might as well pass the time doing this.

Joy on Gloom Date.

Perrin and Safaro are to open the Pekin theatre, Cincinnati, Ohio, week of 15th. (Ugh).

Gloom.

The snow is killing us here in Chicago and all of us good and bum acts have the Old Ship on our shoulders and we dare yo uto knock it off. If you do we will bore you with the old son entitled, "We'e Going to Exit, so Look Out Sam."

Point of Question.

Where oh where is all the acts these cold days that use to blockade the sidewalk in front of the old stand by Monogram. I saw one brother poke his head out of a saloon door on State street plugging for a heart game. I wonder if he's working at it?

Hope.

Cheer up brothers State street will probably be in Chicago next summer. Will Foster will have the old chairs out again to accommodate you exausted actors. (Oh you agents).

Joy and Consolation.

They say good things comes to him that waits and still we are waiting here in Chicago for the Ophas to give us work, the only consolation we have is to holler help. Tim Gesley ease us in regardless of figure. More snow and eggs are going up with us.

Consolation.

I've often said that I would never play the South, but since New eYar's I resolve—Ah well what's the use.

Gloom.

It is getting down to a pitch when a jig act walks into a booking office and be addressed by Hello Jack Johnson. (Ugh).

Consolation.

Cheer up you Bacons and Hams. Kline, Dudley Owsley and Joel are all living yet. Bless their sweet soul.

Gloom

Perrin and Safaro sent in a card to an agent on the card read you saw our act. Cleaned up last week at the Thailia. A few minutes later the office boy retuned with the same card on the back of it was written: I did saw the act last week but I can't seen you this week. (Can you beat that?)

Joy

Robinson and Turner are going to shake State street to open on the D. H. Dudley circuit when Breches got the telegram all was O. K. Henry Bunch, our Free Lunch Friend, done enough of Bizz to pay off the coal man taht was waiting for the pay of two tons of coal. We are all still wondering where did the money come from. Lucky fellow, twice these money scarce days.

Gloom.

It is funny here of late all the girls that once was actresses are getting the entertaining fever. Can you blame 'em?

Gloom.

A new team came intown today to get a room at my house and he asked us how is things around Chicago. I said it was kind of tough now but it may pick up later in the season. He sat on the piano stool and began to play the blues on the piano with one finger.

Suspicious.

Two boy Pickaninnies, good dancers, came up to my house to see me in regard to writing an act for them. They had already formed the style of act. a kind of hold up gag, for fear they may rehearse and become too perfect I was afraid to venture on it. So young so wise.

At Last.

The Opha's papers are giving pood Jack Johnson's name a little rest and us with it.

Car Fare Economy.

If all of us acts would give the agents a little rest I suppose we could save up enough of them nickels and dimes to open up a nickel theatre on the street.

Good Business.

W. H. Smith just arrived in town to pass the comps for the Bill Bailey Jubilee which opened at the Globe on Sunday, came to my house and asked me for forty gents, saying he had given away about twenty passes and had to give eight more people a dime for car fare and wanted forty gents to go with four more passes. Can you beat it!

Mystery.

String beans and his wife and Emmet Anthony opened up at the Monogram Monday night as a trio and after the first blow Anthony was missing Some one told me that Anthony made a big hit. I don't know, only what was told me, it's hard what to tell when you do not see so. I can't say anything, sorry I started this. (Excuse me).

Another Rag.

The man what owns the Archer theatre is all I know has the lease for the Pekin, 10 yeas. I heard a little bird told me he heard the man said that he was going to treat the Colored People right when they had asked him what was his policy. They are tearing the lobby down now. I'm still at a loss to know will the Colored People comere there as the days of yore to be treated right well. I hope they do if they don't my poor neighborhood is loosing its occupants mighty fast. Even Mrs. Johnson the undertakers done vamped, so you know we are up against it. (Ugh).

Moneys Good.

A Colored actor played pool with another brother of the profession and when the games were ended in which the first one's lost amounted to one dollar and eighty cents, the proprietor being Turner, one of Tim Owsley's old partner, asked the fellow for the pay of the games, the fellow said that he was broke and would make good. He showed Turner a contract he had for a Louisville theatre salary double 40 dollars and he told Turner to keep it until he returns or he will send the money back. So Turner took the contract and kept it. The fellow worked the week out and Turner never did hear from him. So a friend of Turner, a lawyer, was playing billiards when Turner asked him what he should do in such a case after he had done explained the case. The lawyer said: I'll tell you what to do, Turner you keep the contract for thirty days and if he doesn't show up you keep it. (What do ye think ov dat?

FASHION PLATE MINSTRELS.

The Fashion Plate company still continues to do good business. The members very luckily retain their good health. Mr. Eugene (Sheeny) Peterson, our miniature comedian, always keeps the audience in good humor. Horace Eubanks, the clever clarinetist, as well as Jay Bryant (Curly), the rising young cornetist, are both doing good work this season, and bid fair to work their way to the front. While at Troy, Mo., Miss Callie Vassar made a flying visit to St. Louis to visit her mother. While at Moberly, Mo., recently, several friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bass were invited to their palatial home on East Ault street, and it was a scene of splendor and gayety, the occasion being a reception tendered the names mentioned below. Eventually all were seated around the festive board, where rich and rare delicacies, seasonable and unseasonable, were served, which, judging from the way in which it was prepared, one would conclude that the hand of a professional epicurean had played an important part. Toasts were given to the host and hostess, and last but not least to Prof. P. G. Lowery and company; then in the wee small hours the last goodbyes faded away upon the brisk bracing morning air. Those present were: Miss Carrie Gilbert, Miss Vivian De Glover, Miss Ethel Kenny, Mrs. Eva Prince, Mrs. Callie Vassar Hill, Mrs. Ruth Sprague Prince, Mrs. Viola Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Worth Woods, Tom M. Seldom, Tony Barefield, Thos. May, Chas. Beechum, Prof. P. G. Lowery and Prof. Arthur L. Prince.

JENKINS AND JENKINS HAVING SUCCESS

The team of Jenkins and Jenkins known in vaudeville as Dady Jenkins and Little Creole Set, from New Orleans, La., closed six successful weeks at the Elite theatre, Selma, Ala. Will open Monday, January 6, 1913, at the Empire theatre, Dothan, Ala.

The team of Jenkins and Jenkins open this little play house, carrying the crowds nightly with a pack house. Mr. L. M. Rayfield, our manager, carries a smile that never comes off. This is one of the best houses in Alabama to work. Talking about the ghost he is never crippled, he comes n a automobile every night if you want it. This is S. L. Jenkins talking and no hot air, believe me. I have some more than can say the same. There is the team of Patterson and Patterson still at the house and the Williams Sisters closed here last week. Then again our house man, Mr. Freeny, he can same. Jelly Rool, our piano player, is there on the piano like a ship at sea. He don't bar no rag time piano player, and when he plays the rag they calls the New York Rool, he makes the audience stand up and take notice, believe me pa. Hello Ed Kemp, how is Sister Little Lou. Saisby says hello to the team. My regards to the entire theatrical world. Yours in profession, S. L. Jenkins.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL TUSKEGEE NEGRO CONFERENCE.

TUSKEGEE, Ala., Jan.—"Agricultural credit" and "Finances of the Negro Public School" will be the two principal topics of discussion at the twenty-second annual Negro Farmer's Conference, to be held at the Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., on Wednesday and Thursday, January 22 and 23.

The first day's conference will be given over to the Negro farmers. As stated in the program, the subject for discussion is "How to Secure Cheaper Money for Running the Farm." This puts the problem of agricultural credit in terms that the Negro farmer understands and is interested in. Representative Negro farmers from Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas will describe the present condition of the Negro farmer in the States from which they come and the present methods of obtaining loans, rates of interest and so forth. Individual farmers will tell how they have succeeded in reducing the principal and rates of interest upon their yearly loans.

R. L. Smith, of Waco, Texas, who is the head of a Negro Farmers' Co-Operative Association in that state which has established a bank, will discuss the subject of co-operative credit and the success of the Texas farmers in cutting down the item of interest in the farmer's annual budget Charles Banks, cashier of the Bank of Mound Bayou, Miss., which supplies a large share of the funds necessary to conduct the agricultural operations of the farming community of which the little Negro town of Mound Bayou is the center, will discuss the question from the point of view of the man who makes the loans.

One of the features of the day's proceedings will be the exhibits showing some of the results of the demonstration farming work being done in the several counties adjoining Tuskegee Institute, where the demonstration method of teaching farmers has been in operation. The reports of the demonstration agents will be followed by a distribution of prizes to the corn clubs organized and conducted in these counties.

The second day's session of the conference is the meeting of teachers, principals, school trustees and others actively interested in school work. The subject for discussion as stated by the program committee is: "How to Secure More Money for the Public Schools. Teachers and principals of schools in Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia will describe the present condition of the schools in their home communities and the various means employed by the county school teachers to secure the interest of white planters, county school superintendents, and others, in meeting the needs of the Negro schools. They will also report upon the extent to which the Negro farmers are taxing themselves in order to improve theschool building and lengthen the school term in different localities.

It is expected that representatives of the Anna T. Jeanes Fund, for the improvement of Negro rural schools, and also that the new state supervisor of Negro public schools in Alabama will speak at this conference session.

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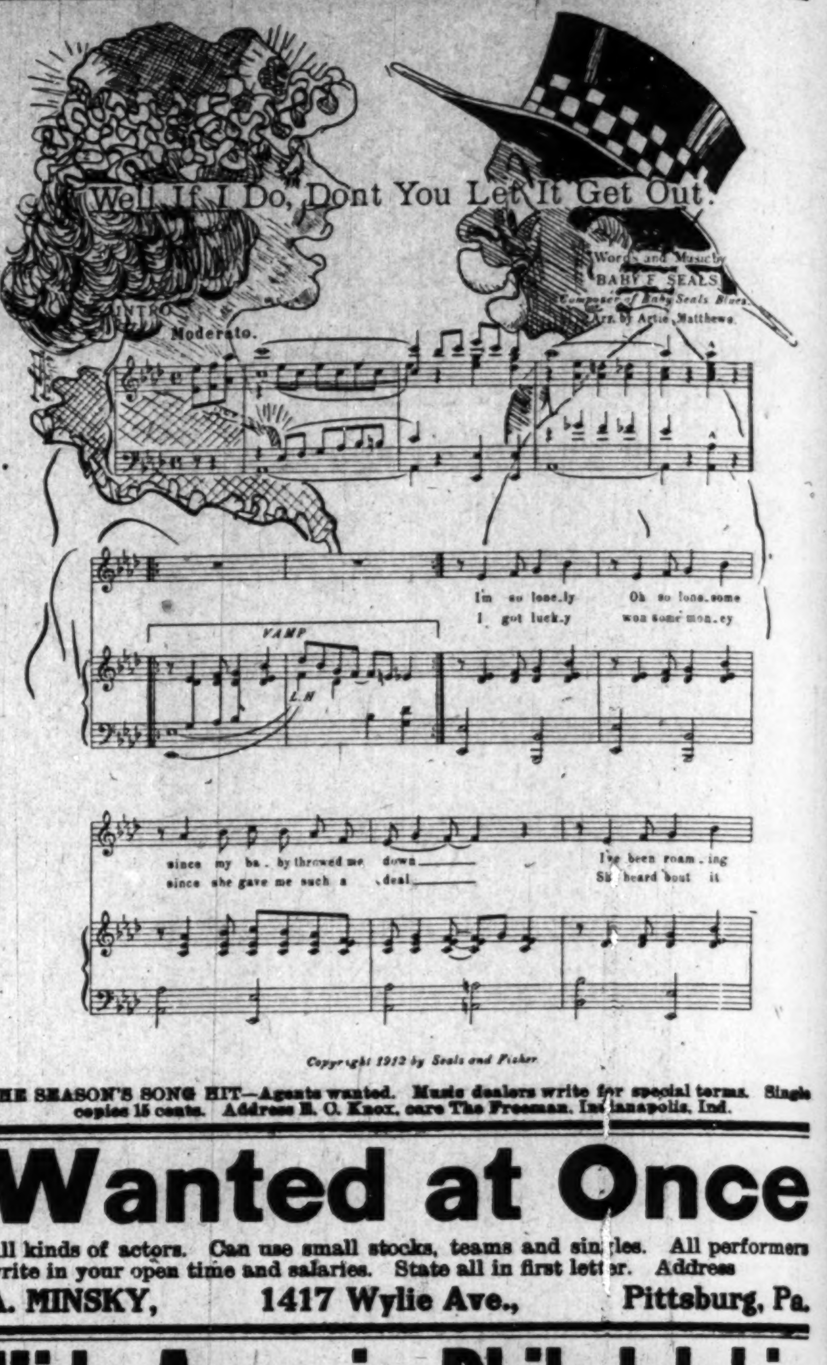

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Hero of Four Hundred Battles Now an Indianapolis Coal Dealer—Where Is "Willy" McClain?—Jack Johnson Brought Down to Date.

(By Billy Lewis.)

J. D. Watts, an erstwhile brilliant battler, former champion heavyweight of the South, may be seen nowadays in Indianapolis, pursuing his humble vocation as a vender of coal and kindling. He is a curbstone dealer, selling in a small way, but he says that he is able to break bread three times a day at that, including some hot ones thrown in as a wash.

Watts reminds one of the old soldier in Goldsmith's "Deserted Village," who shouldered his crutch and showed how fields were wone. The ex-Southern champ seems happy enough when recounting the scenes of the old days. If he has the blues owing to the contrast of present and past conditions he has them when none is around. And if any man should occasionally get into the "dumpy" mood it is this man Watts. Few men have had such brilliant careers in the same length of time.

When speaking of himself Watts states the fact that he was the pet of the Pendennis Club, the swell millionaire organization of Louisville, Ky. The "Pendennis Pet" was his title, of which he is so proud. He reminds one of Cyrano de Bergerac, who would have his enemies take all at his mortal dissolution, demanding that he retain but one thing as he was passing into God's house "bowing low." "What? What?" "My unstained soldier's crest." And again there was Benedict Arnold, who treasured up through all of his vicissitudes an old faded coat of blue and silver and a wreck of a battle flag of his country. There are some things that cling to men forever, such a deep hold have they on their affections. And we would view them as trifling, but with those quoted they stood for honor, so we can't always tell what altar remains undefiled in the human heart, albeit shot to pieces by the outward seeming. Watts, the hero of four hundred battles, now a left over from the halcyon days, remembers first an organization of men that placed the chip on his shoulder, daring anyone to knock it off. It was his inspiration.

Watts won $18,000 in a single fight—a fortune on a single throw of the dice, as it were. The other fights, all told, must have netted him not less than $200,000. He was like the Prodigal Son; he spent his money in riotous living, but unlike that illustrious example, he has no father's house to which he can return. And the world will think that a colored man who permits $200,000 to filter through his fingers without saving enough to care for old age, or possible indisposition, does not deserve pity.

It is a cruel thought all right, but in spite of it we cannot feel that genuine sorrow for those that have been so blessed. In fact, it makes one mad to know that there is such stupidity in the world. Such a chance thrown away—the world holds so many beautiful things; then to have had the wherewith to have obtained them—yet without them—it were a shame.

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Watts beat Wolcott, the demon; fought Choyinski to a draw; fought a draw with Marvin Hart. Those were all top notch fighters. He won the championship of Indiana from Shine Russell; won championship of Michigan from Jack Hammons; won championship of Tennessee over Ed Wall; won championship of Canada from Tinebull. He wonthe championship of the South over Jim Janey,si x rounds, at Louisville, Ky. Other fights: with Jimmy Ryan, twenty rounds, draw; with Jack Bonner, Philadelphia, six rounds, draw; with Jack Patty Portel, ten rounds, draw; with Jack O'Brien, four rounds, Philadelphia, lost; with Tom Beckwith, five rounds, won; with Jack Root, four rounds, Chicago, lost; with Chas. Goff, thirteen rounds, San Francisco, won; with Tommy West, ten rounds, draw; with Bob Thompson, five rounds, won; with Jim Fields, six rounds, Nashville, won; fought Patty Gorman, of Australia, Bob Armstrong and Kid McCoy. Here's a "pedigree" for you that invites respectful attention. Perhaps no fighter in the world has such a string of scalps dangling at his belt—his only asset—a rich memory—big with incidents, and seemingly happy enough for it.

The old man, not so old in age either, now and then essays the field, hungry for the plaudits of other days. He has stuffed a half dozen years in one; he shows it; he looks slow and groggy as if a fighter waiting for his knockout blow. He has many friends. He seems to love every one excepting Billy McClain, who wouldn't treat him right. He had to take wiley Willy to count to get his wages for helping to build McClain's fun palace. He got merely judgment, that's all.

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It is reported that Willy is in New York, where he expects something to turn up in his favor like Micawber of Charles Dickens fame. Billy stayed away from his home country too long; he lost the thread of things. We develop different on this side. He had notions which did not graft very well on our fin de secle civilization. He introduced one novelty out of his years of experience abroad, "whizzing the whizz." It was a good one, but it could not stand up alone. The madame is again on the road and more than likely there will be a theatrical team of McClain and McClain or something else just as good, provided the madam can modernize Bill. McClain gave the boxing game a boost in Indianapolis.

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The chapter is not complete unless there are quotations on Jack Johnson's market value. He has been making history within the last few days by the help of the white people. The champ concluded to do a little training; he visited his former training quarters, but found that a change of sentiment had also taken place there—some of the pupils of the quarters said, "if he comes in we'll go out." The boss felt it his duty to close the door against the champ.

Jack has been to court also, and from the way it now looks he is faced by two trials—the smuggling case and the one for white slavery. Prediction as to the outcome would be extremely hazardous. I hope he will prove his innocence in both instances. I hope the laws will not be strained so as to envelop him. In spite of all he is a citizen and as et unconvicted of any wrong. Opposition to him up to this time is based on prejudice. What is happening to him is happening to every member of the race. Jack Johnson has violated public sentiment, not the laws, as far as it is known.

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So after all Jack is not to be robbed his title simply because it was impossible to do so. I am glad to note that there's some fairness in the world even as it concerns Negroes. The elminators were thinking that America was the total world. We are a great big share of it, but at that there are others. The world's heavy weight championship means that, and when once rightfully won will not depart until rightfully lost. England, France, Australia and the rest of them know but very little of our racial difficulties and they care less. It does not stand to reason that because a coterie of defeated, slanderous white reports want to mob Johnson out of his title that the thing is got to be, and that the world must also see it that way.

If America, if we of this country are to play lawgivers to the world, we should see to it that the laws are wholesome, that European and African have no cause for protest. It is said that the laws of the modes and Persian would not lend nor was it necessary if they met all men alike. If we would be Medes and Persian let us be eminently correct, otherwise let us care for merely our own jurisdiction.

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DIDN'T WANT JACK AT THE GYMNASIUM.

CHICAGO.—Jack Johnson's short training spell came to a sudden stop today, following his ousting from O'Connell's gymnasium yesterday. The same action is likely to be taken against him in all the other big gymnasiums in the city. He drove up to the gymnasium in a machine just as he had the previous day, but he had barely got out when O'Connell told him he was barred from the gymnasium.

"Johnson's presence was hurting my business," O'Connell explained later. "Several of my pupils said they would quit if he came here again."

BIG SMOKE TO SCRAP AGAIN IN TITLE BOUT

Report That Palzer Has Agreed to Fight Him—Scheduled for Thirty Rounds.

NEW YORK—Jack Johnson, the Negro heavyweight champion, is going to fight Al Palzer, the Iowa farmer, to defend his right to that title, in Paris on June 24. Al Lippe, boxing manager, closed the deal in Paris January 10. It is said that one of the biggest purses ever offered in a prize fight will be the stake for which the heavyweights will battle on the night of the Grand Prix, the French turf classic.

Palzer recently was saved from a knockout by Luther McCarty, whom he fought for eighteen rounds. The referee stopped the mill to prevent the farmer pugilist from getting a blow that would make him take the count. Soon after this an effort was made to arrange a fight between McCarty and the black champion to settle the championship honor and for a $30,000 purse, but the negotiations struck a snag and the deal failed.

The match in Paris between Johnson and Palzer is to go for thirty rounds. Tom O'Rourke, who is Palzer's manager, sent a dispatch from San Francisco yesterday expressing confidence in the Iowan. Johnson has not been giving much attention to training, and as no one appeared to dispute his right to the world's title for a long time after he defeated Jeffries, he has not taken time to keep himself in fighting trim.

O'Rourke is in San Francisco making arrangements for a battle between Palzer and Al McCluskey for next Monday night. After that mill and one or two others that may be arranged, the farmer fighter will start training.

YOUNGSTER MAKES GOOD SHOWING AGAINST KID FIELDS.

One Round Bess Sends Kid Murphy to Dreamland—Black Sudds' Swinging Match.

(By H. W. Jay.)

Local fighting bugs witnessed the third boxing card of the Badger Athletic Club, which was pulled off at the New Crown Garden theater, on Thursday night of last week. The usual vaudeville show was suspended for the evening. The card was a drawing feature among the women, and about fifty of them were on the scene. Four hundred spectators were entertained. Several out-of-town women occupied a box. The card was scheduled to begin at 8:30 o'clock, but the dial had recorded 9:06 before the first go began. Jack Kilabrew, a heavyweight from the Smoky City, who is on the warpath for Jack Leslie's scalp, the heavy champ of Hoosierdom, "presided over the meeting." Kid Edwards, the bulldog of the state lightweight division, was introduced to the bugs, as were several other fighters.

The concert was attended by a number of white fans, men and women. Jack Hannibal, czar of the Indiana middles, was the third man in the ring in all three bouts. The curtain raiser was a six-round go between Kid Black and Kid Sudds, of Pittsburgh. Black outweighed, out-reached and out-towered Sudds, and both were wild in their swings.

The next go was an eight-round bout between One Round Bess and Kid Murphy at 115 pounds, in which Bess sent Murphy to the land of nod. Bess was given an ovation as he stepped through the ropes and went to his corner that excelled the reception of the fighters in the main bout. Bess is a popular little scrapper and always does his best to give the fans their money's worth, and when his opponent begins stalling he has been heard to tell them to cut it out and fight. In the opening round Murph looked a worthy opponent for Bess. He sent a left swinging to Bess's snoot and brought forth a flow of claret. Bess worked his shift effectively in this round. Murph decorated his face with a grin that Bess soon wore off with several wallops to the goozle and jaw. The second round started at a lively gait with Bess mastering his shift and Murph sending in swings of good judgment. One Round, however, held his own. The third round stole the Kid's grind and he went to his corner all but in. He recuperated for the fourth round only to take the count of nine. He jumped up and fought back like a panther, but just long enough to meet a right to the jaw, follower by a right uppercut. Using his gloves for pillows he went to the beautiful land of dreams. One Round has not been fighting long but to see him in the ring he appears, with his prudent manner, to be a past master with the gloves. Bess is undisputedly the bantam champion of Indiana.

Kid Fields, a vet at the game, and the Mysterious Kid, an eighteen year old youngster, were the principles of the main bout, which went its full distance of ten rounds. Both fighters had good following. The boy fighter won many friends by his splendid showing against the seasoned fighter Fields. The go opened with the Mystery sending in a couple of rights to the body with dashing force, and Fields chewing gum and covering his face and tagging along cautiously. The second round found Fields slowing. He flung a stiff jolt to Mystery's body which caused him to slip to the floor, but the Mystery was up in a jiffy and gave Fields a setter right in the mouth that shook all over. Fields kept chewing the cud. The crowd grew frantic when the Mystery cashed two uppercuts on the fighting barber. The fourth round was uninteresting. Both registered a couple of body blows. Fields took the fifth round seriously and sent the secret to the floor for the count of nine with a hard left to the jaw. The sixth inning was slow. The Mystery scored a right jab to the jaw and a right swing to the body, while Fields landed a couple of wallops to the slats. Fields carried to his corner a swelling proposition on his right eye at the close of the seventh, after a general mixup. In the eighth there was something doing; it was the fastest of the entire bout. The Mystery unbalanced the barber and showered hi mwith four rights before he could realize what was taking place, but when the storm ceased Fields got busy and floored his mythical opponent. Then Fields swung a right that glazed the Kid's back. Some of the spectators yelled foul at this. Referee Hannibal ruled that no foul had been committed, as the Kid, who raised on one kneee, had raised before the blow landed. The ninth and tenth were mild, and several times in each round the Mystery fought from under cover.

Fields was in good condition; had he not been he could not have withstood several mean punches that found residence on his jaw, head and middle section. Fields was not to be underrated, for he showed superior knowledge of the game, yet he underrated the Mystery and claims that the bout would not go ten rounds. He claims his battles have passed the century mark, among which, he says, have been bouts with fistic celebrities.

The Mysterious Kid, young in age and in the pugilistic art, but full of pep and ginger and gameness, has a future before him and under good management and consistent training will make a hard nut for any of them to crack.

BIG BOXING EVENT AT CROWN GARDEN JANUARY 23.

The Badger Athletic Club will pull off a big boxing event the evening of January 23, at the Crown Garden theater. The main bout will be between Jack Hannibal, of this city, and Jack Watts, of Terre Haute, Ind. These men are crack middleweights and will furnish the fans with plenty of good milling. They are clever, rugged, hard hitters, and willing mixers. Watts has not fought here since he knocked out Kid Stone years ago. He has beaten some of the best men in the South since that time and should make Hannibal extend himself to the limit to win.

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Young Charleston,(a 122-pounder, would meet some of the feathers of the country.

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Kid Dixon wants to be rematched with Kid Fields. The two Kids recently fought a draw.

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Young Peter Jackson, a 160-pounder, is desirous of meeting some good exponent of the fistic game.

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The Badger Club would like to hear from some of the southern fighters. It has plenty of boxers in each of the legitimate weights

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Young George Dixon, who not long ago met defeat at the hand sof One Round Bess, thinks that he can beat the herald 115-pounder. Dixon says that he was not in condition when he was beaten. Isn't that what they all say?

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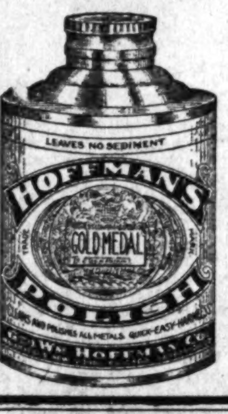

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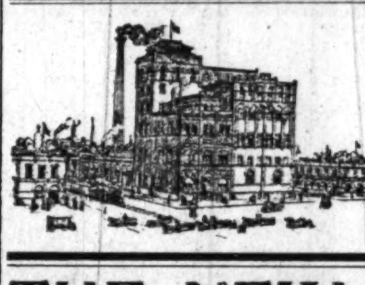

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The Freeman will be glad to receive local news by phone or mail.

Until February 15, The Freeman will be $1.00 the year. Sen in your subscription at once.

Mr. Tim Owsley, of the Crown Garden theater, is the proud father of an eight-pound baby girl.

Dr. W. H. Connor and wife left last Saturday for permanent residence in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Mittie Ward has returned to the city after spending several weeks with her daughter in Marion, Ind.

Revivals are being held at the following churches: South Calvary, New Bethel, Bethel and Olivet Baptist.

The remains of Miss Lula L. Lampkins, 1926 Yandes street, were shipped to Decatur, Ill., by Undertaker Morgan.

Mrs. Hattie Smith, sister of Miss Mayme Clay, was buried Tuesday from Simpson chapel. O. H. Morgan, undertaker.

Sadie Hall, 511 Cincinnati street, died at the City hospital on Tuesday, January 14, and was buried on Thursday, January 16.

Mr. Eugene Clark, manager of the Park theater, Louisville, Ky., was in the city last week, on account of the illness of his daughter.

The Capitol Dancing Class was largely attended Friday evening. The class will dance monthly and the dances will be strictly invitational.

Mr. George L. Knox entertained at dinner Sunday, Mr. Thomas Taylor, of the Y. M. C. A.; Mr. Godley and Dr. Oliver, of Brazil, Ind.

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Mr. Virgil Shepard left this week for Newark, N. J., where he has accepted a position with a brewing company recently purchased by the Indianapolis Brewing Co.

Miss Alice Lyons, of Chicago, is in the city visiting her father at 214 Ringgold avenue. She was entertained at the Colored Democratic Club cafe by Mr. C. R. Herberd.

George Bowen, husband of Nellie Bowen, and who was sent to San Antonio, Texas, by Booth Tarkington, for the benefit of his health, died in that city January 9, 1913, and was buried in San Antonio. He was a membed of Hector Lodge No. 55, K. of P., of Indianapolis, Ind.

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Usual services Sunday morning and evening, processional and recessional. Wednesday evening, Mary L. Fitzhugh, the well-known blind soprano, will sing. Prices will be 15 cents for single admission, and 25 cents for two admissions when coming as copule. Mrs. M. E. Rowan, wife of Rev. Rowan, underwent a serious operation at St. Vincent's infirmary last Tuesday morning at 8:30. She is doing nicely at her home, 904 Camp street.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Rev. S. L. Howard, of Nashville, Tenn., will be the speaker at the Colored Men's Branch Monster Meeting Sunday afternoon at the Crown Garden theater. He will take for his subject, "Seeking the Right Way." Rev. Howard hails from the land of orators and in him will be found a worthy exponent of truth. Last Sunday, Dr. J. B. Oliver gave one of the most practical addresses of the meetings. The doctor received a hearty applause to his many splendid points brought forth. The singing of the large audience of men led by the Aeolian Chorus of ten ladies, which gave the special number, was one of the features.

The Tuesday Night Bible School is one of the most entertaining things to attend at the association building. The class is unusually large and is steadily increasing. The Boys' Bible Class has now been organized and is ready for work. The class is a large one and gives promise of being the life of the boys' department.

The boys' basketball league has been launched and two games, out of a series of twelve games, have been played. The standing of the league is as follows:

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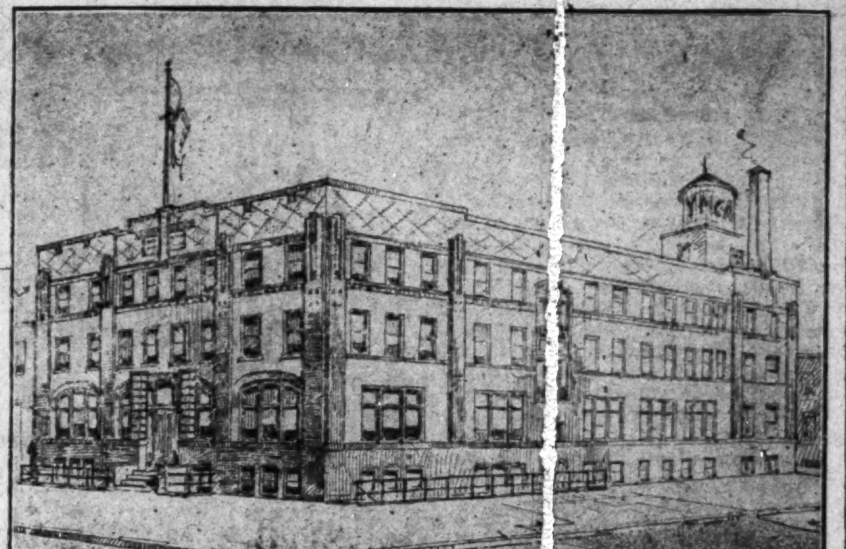
AN ALARMING CONDITION

Work on the New Y. M. C. A. Building Must Stop—A Crisis is Confronting us—$3,000 Must be Raised by February 1st.



Very often the Negro gives forth a mournful statement that he is hindered in his advancement, that he has not the means of recreation or a center of moral strength, such as a Y. M. C. A., as has the Anglo-Saxon. He wishes to know, why tie his hands and then ask him to defend himself like a man. The Negro citizen of Indianapolis need not ask such questions. He has been given every means of encouragement, every possible opportunity of meeting the challenge thrown down by the Caucasian. That is this: If you will raise $15,000.00 from your own people, we will raise from the white people $60,000.00 and $25,000.00 from Mr. Julius Rosenwald, so that you may have $100,000.00 for a Y. M. C. A., as a citadel of moral strength, that you may prepare through a healthy, Christian influence, a well-rounded man for a clean, honest and upright citizenship.

The Colored Men's Branch of Indianapolis has now reached a period of its progress, through the confidence of its official department in the ability of the Negro to do, to prove businesslike, where $3,00000 must be paid in on or before the first of February to insure the continuation of the work on the handsome new building now being constructed on North Senate avenue and West Michigan street. The Negro subscribers who are delinquent have in a measure ceased the paying of their pledges. These pledges were made when the need of such an institution was felt not only by the Negro but by the white man as well. The work has gone thus far with the feeling on the part of those back of it that the Negro subscribers would pay up. Are you doing it? Are you going to pay up, or shall the new building stand unfinished, an unveiled monument to a critical age, a naked truth of the unbusiness like methods of an actual inferior race? Or shall the efforts of the philanthropic white man be vindicated by the Negro in his earnest endeavor to make good?

The Negro of Indianapolis, yes of teh entire country, is on trial. Which shall it be, success or failure?

In order to receive payment the association building, at West North and California streets, will be open from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m.

Not only for the benefit of the association is this written but every Negro citizen of this city will be lowered in the estimation of the business community, if this splendid opportunity of demonstrating a business ability fails to bear fruit.

DELIGHTFULLY ENTERTAINED.

Miss Sara Baker, of 1507 Northwestern avenue, entertained Mrs. Clara Gibbs Dorsey, of Cleveland, Ohio, at a luncheon and whist party last Monday evening. Those present were Mrs. Gertie Smith, Mrs. Catherine Hudston, Mr. T. E. Branham, Mr. William Page and Mr. A. B. ohnson. Mr. hoJnson rendered several selections on the piano. All had a highly enjoyable time.

CIVIC CLUB NOTES.

In December the national association received 115 new members.

The annual meeting of the association will be held January 21, at 4 p. m., in the New York Evening Post muilding, 20 Vesey street. Harry Roseland, the artist who has achieved notable success in portraying colored life, has lent the association for exhibition on this occasion a painting entitled "To the Highest Bidder." This represents a little girl being sold away from her mother and is considered the artist's best work. It has, however, been refused by some public galleries in the North on the ground that the subject is one the nation wishes forgotten. Mr. Roseland has been offered substantial sums for this picture in Europe, but is not willing that it should leave this country.

The Sumter, South Carolina, "Defender" answers a question we are often asked. In Sumter county alone there have been during the past ten years five assaults by white men against Negro girls, and not a single one of the criminals was even brought to trial. Criminals should be punished not according to color but offense. One law for black and white.

The Negro does his share of the world's work. He may only be allowed to do the drudgery, but he does that. Since he works, he is entitled to some of the play.

It is a fallacy to say that because the white man owns everything, he can or should treat us as he pleases. Who helps him to own everything? Who digs the foundations for his theaters? Who helps to lay the street car tracks? Who keeps his streets in repair? Who carries the brick and mortar? Who hauls the coal to heat his buildings?

The Negro does most of this rough labor and his small wages go back into food and clothing to enable him to do more work. The Negro, perhaps more than any other race, needs play or recreation.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Mrs. Crissie B. Taylor, of Indianapolis, Ind., was here during the holidays, visiting her son Clarence, and her sister, Mrs. J. W. Corneal. She left for home on Thursday. She says she hopes to spent many more Christmases in Centralia....Miss L. C. H. Campbell is on the sick list....All of the Centralia people, regardless of nationality or creed or color, danced the muscle dance two or three days last week on the icy streets....Mr. John Jones, our leading clothes cleaner and presser, is doing a good business, and has moved two doors north of his former place on Chestnut street......The Men's Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Collins. Many members were present and important business was transacted and then a grand luncheon was served....Several of the colored employes of the Illinois Central railroad shops are buying homes here....Mr. Gabe Windson has bought a fine residence, etc., costing several thousand dollars....Mr. Nowwood has also bought a home for $2,000....Mrs. Mannan went to Mound City, Ill., on Sunday to visit her parents....There was a double birthday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Offuet, celebrating Mr. Offeut's thirty-eighth anniversary and his eldest daughter's nineteenth anniversary. There was a large attendance and those who were there report that they had more than a good time, they say they had an old and a young time. Refreshments and eatings of all kinds were served, also singing and good music. Each had separate departments, the young people who visited Miss L. Offeut, in one room and the old or the "stags as they called themselves, in the other....Mrs. A. Martin is doing good with her restaurant....The Masons met Monday night.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. T. D. Berry and daughter spent a week with relatives in Cleveland....The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vanduson is very ill....John Holmes, Jr., was in Jamestown Tuesday, attending the funeral of Miss Marjorie Wickfield. He acted as one of the pallbearers....The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. David Bronnock, of Covington street, died Friday evening....Buckeye Lodge of Elks No. 73 will give a social session in their lodge rooms on Sunday afternoon, January 19. All members and Elks in good standing are welcome. The Lawrence lodge of Newcastle, will be represented....Douglas Whitehead, of Covington street, died suddenly Monday morning. He leaves a wife, who was out of the city at the time of his death. He was a member of Logan Lodge No. 4, K. of P., Counsuela Court and the Third Baptist church....Mrs. Clara Ridley, wife of Wm. Clifford Ridley, of this city, died at the home of her mother at Garrettsville, O., on Monday, December 23, and was buried in the family lot in Garrettsville, December 25. She was well known in this city. Mr. Ridley is employed by Holmes & Lewis, barbers....Mr. Fred Stewart, of Pittsburgh, stopped over here Wednesday, on his way home from Jamestown, N. Y., where he attended the funeral of Miss Marjorie Wickfield, on Tuesday....Robert Berry, of Washington, D. C., died Monday mornin. Mrs. Emma Sharp, a sister, left Monday evening, to attend the funeral, and Frank Conway, a cousin, also went. Mr. Berry leaves a wife and three children....The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mill is on the sick list....Mrs. Thomas Green, Sr., visited her son, Thomas Green, Jr., of West Myrtle avenue, last week....Logan Lodge No. 4 will initiate a number of candidates into the secrets of the order on Saturday evening, January 18, at 8 p. m. All members are requested to be present.

TOLEDO, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

A splendid meeting for women only was held at the Third Baptist church on Sunday, January 12, which was addressed by the pastor Rev. B. F. McWilliams. It is the purpose of the pastor to so arrange things that when the men meet at one church, the women will meet at the other, thereby effecting a good meeting each Sunday. We all remember the good results of last year's Special meetings for women only Sunday afternoon, January 19, at 2:30 p. m., when the ladies of the Third Baptist church will unite with the ladies of Warren church, to hear an address by Rev. Sister Mary S. Smith. All are welcome....Amanda Kire, of 1717 Canton avenue, Toledo, O., would like to hear from her father, Rev. E. P. Kire, of the Fifth Street church, of Ironton, O....Mr. Clarence Fly has opened a restaurant at 815 Canton avenue....The Negro population of this city are much amazed at the nerve of Jack Johnson, and give a loud second to the motion of the Eighth regiment of Illinois....Kid Fitor, of Toledo, colored, meets Harry Corbett, of Chicago, January 24, at catch weights at Attica, O....Wm. Baxter sends regards to Dyersburg, Tenn., and also Minneapolis, Minn., and Champaign, Ill. Don't be a quitter, let us hear what you are doing through The Freeman. We are all learning to read our own literature......Mr. and Mrs. Gaines returned home after visiting with relatives in Detroit....Mr. Enner Addison, a colored foreigner, enjoyed a delightful evening on the 10th, at the Billman's ball, and made quite a few friends. He has much talent as a musician.

NEWS OF EVANSVILLE, IND.

By Benita Morrow.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Sadie Moseley returned home last Tuesday night from Kentucky, where she spent the holidays....Miss Viola Gibson returned home Sunday from a week's visit in Vincennes....Mrs. Joseph Newton, of Indiana street, has been quite sick, but is better now....Mrs. Tina Jackson is quite ill....Mrs. E. A. Roach was able to be out Sunday....Sunday was sacrament Sunday at Liberty Baptist church. Quite a few attended....Mrs. Annie Lennox, the former Freeman agent, has a very pretty baby girl....There was an old folks' concert last Thursday night at Bland Avenue church....Revival began last Monday night at Liberty Baptist church. Rev. Bigsby, of Kentucky, is conducting the meetings....Little Edward Landers is improving nicely....K. of P. lodge, No. 44, had quite a grand time at its installation. Speakers of the evening were Messrs. H. A. Rouse, Charles Baker, Hayes Hackner, Dr. S. S. Duppie and Attorney J. H. Wilson....We are indeed glad to hear that Mr. Ernest Tidrington, the grand chancellor of the K. of P. lodge, is getting along nicely. ....It was quite a shock to learn of the death of Mrs. Jennie Rapier, one of the faithful members of Liberty Baptist church—not only a member, but a mother. We who have lost mothers extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family. Mrs. Rapier leaves a husband, four daughters and six sons, sisters, brothers and a mother to mourn her death, besides other relatives. She was a victim of pneumonia....The K. of P. lodge, No. 18, had its installation on last Thursday night at the Y. M. C. A. Quite a pleasant time was enjoyed....Mattie Todd and sister Julia Coward were called home to attend the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Jennie Rapier....The Freeman is on sale at Grundy's barber shop on Lincoln avenue....Miss Laura Sypert returned home from a visit in St. Louis....Don't forget Monday night, the Waiters' Club will show in Henderson, Ky....Mrs. Eastwood, of the west side, is better....The S. M. T. gave a banquet last Monday night at the U. B. of F. hall. Quite a few were present and enjoyed themselves....The Freeman on sale at Grundy's barber shop, also at 411 Olive street.

FRAZER, KY.

Public School Closing.

The public school closed here the first day of the year and under the most auspicious circumstances, the pupils deported themselves nicely, rendering the following program: "Will there be any Stars in My Crown" ;prayer, Rev. Mrs. Laura Scott; "Jesus Lover of My Soul"; saltatory, Minnie D. Newell; "The Letter that Came Too Late," Dommie Wilhite; "Number of Days," Lossie Weaver; "Christmas Birth," Hazel Daugherty; "Down on the Mississippi River," two girls; "Tell Me Not in Mournful Numbers," Loula Sloan; "Let's Go Down to the Golden Wedding," School; "All of the Children's Story," LeGardus Wilhite; "Kentucky Schools," School; "On the Shore of Zenda Sea," Elwell Scott; "The Creation," Rebecca Cowan; "The Sober Quaker," a girl and a boy; "Living on a Farm," Nannie Weaver; "Good Bye, Old Hager," School; "Bowling on the Green," John W. Wilhite; "Coons Got a Shake," three boys; "Dying Nun," Russie D. oJnes; "Master is Coming," Minnie D. Newell; paper, "Character Building," J. W. Jones; "German Band," number of boys; "A Chieftain to the Highland Bound," Mrs. Mollie Jones; "English Band," number of girls; valedictory, Mabel A. Newell. After the valedictory, a number of addresses were made and chief among them was the one made by Mrs. Laura Scott and the one made by Mr. J. W. Jones, and we hope this interest aroused will cause the people here to bestir themselves to assist in building up a better and "newer" Kentucky. The school superintendent, Hon. A. N. Sheaver, and the chairman of the division, Hon. F. M. Rankin, and our school visitor, Hon. Morrison Hudson, have been faithful to the better interests of the school and we owe them debts of gratitude for their kindness. We had hoped to graduated some pupils from the departments, but it is hard to have our people see their interest as a whole until it is too late. The library movement, we hope, will be a marked success.

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